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# Heseltine retreats over pits in bid to buy off Tory rebels

By PHILIP WEBSTER CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

IN THE most spectacular government retreat for 20 years, John Major and Michael Heseltine yesterday backed down on plans to slash the coal industry in half, but still left the government striving to avoid a Commons defeat

Succumbing to a national outcry and the threat of the biggest revolt of the Conservative government. Mr Heseltine announced a reprieve for two-thirds of the pits earmarked last week for closure.

British Coal will be allowed to go ahead with the closure of only ten of the 31 pits, and there will be a moratorium until early in the new year for the other 21, as the government consults interested parties, including the trade unions. The enquiry's results will be put to MPs for a vote. If the government's original judgment is confirmed, the closures will be phased, but several senior Conservatives hope the moratorium is a prelude to an even greater climbdown that will result in most of the threatened pits staying open.

The humiliating U-turn, coming so soon after withdrawal from the ERM, left the government's authority and skilful political manoeuvring gravely damaged. It appeared to have headed off much of the revolt, but enough Conservative MPs were continuing to voice misgivings to leave doubts over the outcome of tomorrow's vote.

Several said that without further concessions from Mr Heseltine they would still vote against the government, and there was a feeling that the tone of his remarks suggested that the president of the board of trade believed that all the closures would eventually go ahead. Some MPs were demanding that the ten condemned pits should be included in the "review" while others wanted a full-scale independent review rather than one carried out by the government and British Coal. There were also demands for firmer assurances that the stay of execution would be used by the government to conduct a full investigation of the coun-

try's energy needs.

Robin Cook, the shadow industry secretary, asked: "If, as he claims, Mr Heseltine agonised over this decision for months, how did he come up with a decision which cannot even six days of public

dehate?" Mr Heseltine had a torrid time in the Commons, where his oratorical talents have so often roused Conservative MPs. Only on Sunday, he was saying that there was no alternative to the closure programme, and there was inevnably a question-mark over his

The retreat became inevitable after soundings by whips

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# Rate cut likely as pound tumbles

By LINDSAY COOK

THE pound fell to the lowest level ever recorded by the morning before recovering slightly after the government's climbdown on the pit closures.

The pound's trade-weighted index closed at a record low of 79.5. This level was the lowest since the Bank of England started calculating the index in 1975. The previous low before this month was in October

Sterling closed against the dollar at \$1.0287 — three cents down on Friday's close. It ended at 2.42 against the mark, down from 2.4475 on Friday. Several international investment managers said that the U-turn on monetary and industrial policies may have come too late to revive the

However, there was no sign of panic selling of sterling. Analysts almost unanimousli expect another sharp cut in British interest rates.

Unemployment is accelerating in London and investment is being cut, according to the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry. A survey of 285 firms showed that more than a third had reduced staff in the third quarter of the year.

The Department of ployment said the jobless figures rose by 5.3 per cent in the third quarter in London compared with 4.4 per cent in Britain as a whole.

□ Lloyds Bank is to close its merchant bank subsidiary and pull out of corporate finance after a string of disappointing results. It will wind down Lloyds Merchant Bank over the next two years with the loss of 50 jobs.

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### ment would be heavily defeated tomorrow if it pressed ahead with last week's plans. Mr. Major, who on Friday insisted there could be no going back summoned a meeting of cabinet ministers on Sunday night. They agreed that the economic case for closing the pits was unanswerable, but also agreed that the the way the decision had been taken and announced had been damaging. Mr Major said ministers had underestimated the shock that would be caused by announcing the closure programme all in one instalment. The revised closure package was settled and was put to the full cabinet yesterday at an emergency

meeting lasting nearly three hours. Mr Major then went to a lunch with the executive of the 1922 Committee, several of whose members had issued dire warnings of the dangers of carring on with the programme. He gave them a preview of the announcement

### THE MAIN POINTS

• Michael Heseltine said British Coal will proceed with closure of only 10 pits out of the 31 threatened, after the statutory consultation period • Final decisions are to be announced in the new year on other proposed shutdowns ● The former energy secretary, Lord Walker, will co-

ordinate economic measures for affected areas • There will be a £165 million aid package and plans including new enterprise zones and a £5 million Coalfield Areas Fund for this year and next to help redundant miners

and was reported to have satisfied them that they should back the government tomorrow. He also rebuked some executive members for openly criticising government policy. Amid the uproar in the Commons, Mr Heseltine also announced a further £165

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million in assistance for the affected areas and, to Labour Continued on page 2, col 6

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# Review only a delay insists coal chief

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

THE chairman of British Coal. Neil Clarke, last night warned that a government review of plans to close 31 mines would amount to little more than a stay of execution unless the government overhauled the market for power station fuels.

"Unless that changes, the market for British coal is finite." Mr Clarke said. Only if there was "an enlarged market" could a larger coal indus-

Mr Clarke said the corporation had negotiated the "maximum of coal sales available' under the present market regime. The closure programme, involving 30,000 jobs, had been taken un after a series of extremely thorough

There was little likelihood that any of the 10 pits named by Michael Heseltine, president of the board of trade, for review would be saved. Their high costs made it "extremely difficult, not to say impossible. for them to survive." he said.

In a rare show of unity for an industry renowned for its confrontations, Arthur Scargill, president of the Nat-ional Union of Mineworkers. used the same phrase "stay of execution" and called for an independent review of the

industry's future. Roy Lynk, leader of the Union of Democratic Mineworkers, also called for a public enquiry and pledged to continue his underground protest at Silverhill colliery. near Mansfield.

# Airline of the Year 1992.

# Queen focuses on friendship FROM ALAN HAMILTON IN BONN

BY LIN JENKINS

in earl's £88m will

Princes left £1,000

Harry have been left £1,000 each by their grandfather Earl Spencer in his will, worth more than £88 million, which was published yesterday.

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2.00: USA 43 60 The eighth earl, Edward John Spencer, who died in March, left instructions that his daughter, the Princess of Wales, and her two sisters should be given mementoes to be chosen by the executors. His widow and second wife, Raine Countess Spencer, receives an annuity of £10,000, one of her husband's cars of her own choice, the contents of his London Mayfair home. the contents of two houses in

PRINCE William and Prince Bognor Regis and cash and investments held by Global Asset Management.

The bulk of the estate will be held in discretionary trusts on behalf of his children and grandchildren. The ninth earl, Charles Edward, who moved into the family home. Althorp House, soon after his father's death, has three daughters with his wife, the former model Victoria Lockwood. The estate was valued at £89,251,441 gross (£88,307,414 net). Solicitors acting for the executors said that there was a "substantial liability" for inheritance tax which had yet to be calculated.

AGAINST a background of Anglo-German bickering, of mounting disquiet at home and of German hotels refusing to exchange tourists' pounds, the Queen took centre stage last night to dispel the notion that Britain is a nation of curmudgeonly off-shore islanders and of worthless paper currency.

At a banquet on the first day of her state visit to Germany the Queen told Richard von Weizsäcker, the German president, and a gathering of German nobility from Boris Becker to the president of the Bundesbank, that the present difficulties between the two countries must not be allowed to cloud their long-term relations or

the wider European ideal. "British-German friendship is a living reality," the Queen said, amid the flamboyant baroque of the Schloss Augustsburg, an 18th-century residence near Bonn visited by Queen Victoria in 1845. "Like all close friends, we do not always see eye to eye but.

as friends should, we try not to let the sun go down on our quarrels." The European Community was a success story, as was evident from the number of applicants waiting to join. In a speech reflecting last Friday's Birmingham summit. the Oueen said: "The British presidency is working to build

on that success, developing a

community of all 12 member

states, which draws on the strength of each, which meets the needs of their people, listens to their anxieties and responds to their wishes - a community which is open to the rest of Europe and to the

"Building the European Community has never been easy. Nor, as so much of our continent emerges from a dark age, has it ever been more important."

Speeches by the Queen abroad bear the stamp of Downing Street and the Foreign Office. Last night she pursued the same theme that she has expressed to the Continued on page 2, col 2

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# President seeks political salvation from the born-again Walker

Some among them, the optimists, thought Mr Heseltine meant a

review. Many used that term in

MICHAEL Heseltine looked rat-tled yesterday. "Stop being so plain bloody stupid," he shouted at Labour hecklers, after he had unveiled to MPs the two components of the government's new industrial policy: Lord Walker, and a moratorium.

"I have decided." said Heseltine, "to appoint a distin-guished national figure ... to act as co-ordinator and facilitator at the national level". Ah, we thought, Paul Gascoigne - probably the only national figure capable of commanding respect from all sides. But it was not Gascoigne.

Mr Heseltine paused, teasingly. The House held its breath. "Oh

winged their way heavenward -not her. Horrifying pictures of the Baroness Thatcher posing all over the Midlands in miner's boots and pearls, shot through our minds. No, surely not her. Who, then? Gazza? Too soon,

surely, to bring Mellor back? Or could Cilla Black get British Coal and the Electricity industry to cuddle up to each other again, as they used to in the good old days? Mr Heseltine interrupted our

reverie: "I am pleased to tell the House that Lord Walker has accepted this important responsi-bility." The Opposition benches rocked to the roar of Labour MPs. I have to report that the prevailing note was neither of approval nor

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Matthew Parris

outrage, but hilarity. The trouble with Lord Walker, who is 60, considered as an element of our new industrial policy, is that some decades away he was our old industrial policy.

The trouble with a moratorium is that it's a long Latin word imperfectly understood by today's MPs, easily confused with crematorium. It has a dire sound. The Tory benches sat almost

ill-concealed.

their questions. They assumed he would be thinking again and, full of hope, reminded him of arguments in favour of not closing so many, or any, pils. "A very profound review," pleaded the Nottinghamshire's Jim Lester (C. Broxtowe). "a very important re-view, covering all aspects of the question". He meant "and revers-

ing your first decision".

But the president never said "review". "The task of the moratorium," he said, "is to provide for the House the evidence ... We shall see how unavoidable those

Some Tories were unconvinced that this meant a review. An enquiry from Teddy Taylor (C. Southend E) bristled with hostility. Stammering, Heseltine replied: My hon friend has asked a number of questions."

"That's what we're here for," shouted a Labour backbencher. Sir Teddy was not the only Tory Euro-sceptic to attack. So did Bill Cash, who has a doomed mine in his Stafford constituency, and Sir Rhodes Boyson, whose Brent con-

pits. "There can be no case." Hessltine told Winston Churchill. "for saying you've got to keep uneconomic pits going." We looked around for the farms minister to see how this sort of economics was going down over at the ministry of agriculture, but, strangely, Mr Gummer was absent from the front bench.

Labour's Robin Cook, respond-ing sternly, achieved a grimly sub-Churchillian note. Heseltine himself looked and sounded battered but on board. Opposition MPs just about succeeded in concealing glee beneath outrage. The Tories looked glum. So would you, if you knew their

postbag or the battering they've had in their constituencies. Tony Benn chose a metaphor as apt for the beleaguered Tories as for the redundant miners: "It's the brutal-ity of it." he said. "A terrible situation which we've all had to go sinianon which we ve all had to go
through in the last few days," was
how Robert Adley (C., Christchurch) put it: while Heseltine
spoke of his "agony": "I want to
share with hon members the
dangers I face." Hon members
preferred to decline this offer.
""There comes a notift" he rold

There comes a point," he told us, "when you must make the difficult decisions in government." His party rather thought that there comes a point, too, when you

Force of

numbers

led Major

to admit

defeat

BY PHILLIP WEBSTER

CHIEF POLITICAL

JOHN Major was frank with his cabinet colleagues when he called them to Downing

Street for a special meeting on the coal crisis at 6.30pm

on Sunday. The meeting set in motion the biggest climb-

The government had made a mistake. Ministers had

been so bound up with the details of the pit closure

announcement that they had

failed to anticipate the shock

that would be created across

the country at the news that

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they were closing half the pits and throwing 30,000 men on

the dole. "Our perception of

the effect of the announce-

ment on the public turned out to be wrong," a senior govern-ment official said.

The meeting was attended

by the most senior members of the government: Norman

Lamoni, Douglas Hurd, Kenneth Clarke, Michael

Hesching Michael Portillo. Lord Wakeham, Gillian Shephard, David Hunt and.

Ryder, the chief whip. Mr

Ryder had already told Mr Major that he would be

defeated on Wednesday if he

In a series of television and

radio interviews on Sunday.

Mr Heseltine and other cabi-

net colleagues had tried to hold the line. "I do not think

there is a case for changing

the recommendations I have

made. The case is unanswer-

able in economic terms," the

board of trade president said. It was a last-ditch stand.

Mr Major had already tried to defuse the revolt on

Friday, taking the unprece-dented step of staging a

personal press conference at

the end of the European

stuck with the closure plan.

down of his premiership.

# **Bruised Heseltine** survives to fight again another day

■ Has Michael Heseltine been guilty of arrogance or set up by his enemies? There was no shortage of theories about his future after his performance yesterday

By Nicholas Wood AND NICHOLAS WATT

A LOOK of horror crossed the face of a Downing Street official yesterday at the sight of a solitary Michael Heseltine stalking towards his car while a cabinet meeting was still

As a note was hurriedly passed across the meeting, one thought was uppermost in the minds of the onlookers. Was the president of the board of trade about to revisit 1986 and his sensational walkout from Margaret Thatcher's cabinet over Westland?

In fact, he left early to prepare for the memorial service to his friend. Peter Jenkins, the political columnist who died in May. But with his looming, even a church could offer no sanctuary. Uninten-

# Quest for a killer question

By SHELLA GUNN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

FEW leaders of Her Majesty's Opposition have ever had a better chance to shine at prime minister's question time than John

Smith has today. As advisers drill him this morning in launching a few snappy, penetrating questions at John Major, Mr Smith's only regret will

# OPPOSITION

be the time limit on the bout. The prime minister has never appeared more vulnerable, with his abilities as much in question by by the opposition benches.

Although Mr Major is competent at the despatch box and his performance has sharpened in the past 22 months, he faces a barrister with a formidable reputation as an in-

quisitor.
This afternoon's 15minute slot could be crucial to the reputations of the cut and thrust of Commons question time, in previous incarnations as chancellor and shadow chancellor, on July 5, 1990.

Mr Smith has to avoid an attack so sharp that it reunites the Tories. He must ask the questions everyone wants to direct at Mr Major. What happens then could well go down in the history books.

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### MAN IN THE FRONT LINE

tionally perhaps, the lines he read from John Donne encapsulated both his personal beliefs and his personal plight. The final words from the sson were apposite in view of

the ordeal ahead. "Never send

to know for whom the bell tolls, it tolls for thee.' By now the bell was indeed tolling for the trade president. He had only a few hours to prepare for his Commons statement yesterday announcing a big government climbdown in the face of

mounting opposition inside and outside Parliament. The cabinet was hoping that their most persuasive and indomitable advocate could put the best possible face on the third disaster to strike the government in less than a month. Not so much a U-turn, more the longest swerve in history, as one rattled backbencher put it yesterday. With Tory MPs openly calling for his head. Mr Heseltine was hoping that he could save his political skin. The instant verdict last night was that a battered and bruised trade president had lived to fight

another day.

At Westminster, there was anger and bemusement that the cabiners one real star could have been the author of such a catastrophe. At Brighton, only a couple of weeks before, junior ministers had been queueing up to tell all and sundry of Mr Heseltine's acute political antennae and his ability to detect and defuse an incoming political Exocet long before it crossed the

How could he of all people have been so blind to the political consequences of peremptorily throwing 30,000 people onto the dole in the midst of the worst recession since the 1930s?

The conspiracy theorists were quickly into their stride. Mr Heseltine, said by his friends to still harbour hopes of leading his party, had deliberately engineered the

American Congress and to the

European Parliament at

Strasbourg. She quoted from a speech given by the German president in Oxford in 1988,

in which he said that nobody could become a solid partner in a unified Europe if that

would compel him to give up

too much of what was close to

his heart. "Mr president, I agree," she said. "But tonight I have my own message to you

and your people. We British

are Europeans. That means

that we are your partners in the European Community.

working closely with our friends and allies for prosperi-

ty and peace." Earlier, under the brilliant

autumn sky that the Germans

call "the Kaiser weather", the Queen and the Duke of Edin-

burgh flew into Bonn. and

were driven in a black Mercedes to meet Mr von

Weizsäcker at his official resi-

The president, son of a high-ranking official in the foreign ministry of the Third

Reich who opposed Hitler,

accompanied the Queen, dressed in matching turquoise

coat and hat, as she inspected

an immaculate guard of hon-

our to the jaunty tones of a

Prussian military march. The

duke, as is his habit, ap-

dence in a leafy suburb.

latest crisis in order to undermine John Major further and to advance the chances of a Hence his cavalier approach to a decision-making process in which the cabinet was never formally consulted and in which he told the cabinet's overseas and defence policy committee of his impending announcement later that day as an apparent afterthought at

the end of the meeting. An alternative version of the conspiracy theory is also doing the rounds at Westminster. Under this rival hypothesis. advanced by the trade secre-tary's friends, he has been set up and left to carry the can for an unpopular decision bearing the lingerprints of the prime minister and all the relevant senior ministers.

That leaves only the cock-up theory: that ministers. Mr Major and Mr Heseltine in-cluded, blundered into the announcement without appreciating that it would unite Arthur Scargill, the Archbishop of York and the 1922 executive against them.

One MP with close minist rial links said he suspected that the combination of Maas tricht, the whirlwind in the currency markets and the pressures of the EC presidency had so distracted Mr Heseltine and his colleagues that they had taken their eye off the ball. The pity was that after black Wednesday, the cabinet had not repaired to Chequers for a weekend of thought and reflection.

For all that Mr Heseltine is a resilient figure. No one spends four years in the political wilderness then topples a prime minister of Mrs Thatcher's stature without immense reserves of political stamina

and guile.

If the government scrapes through on Wednesday, the more likely outcome, Mr Heseltine will survive. If not, as Edwina Currie told him in the Commons, "there is life after coal".

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Queen focuses on long-term

friendship with Germany

proached a watching crowd of

children and addressed them

in German. He appeared briefly mystified when they replied in English, saying that they were from the English

At a private lunch the Queen invested the president with the Royal Victorian chain, one of the highest

decorations in her personal gift, and gave him a silver statuette of the Berlin bear,

some German watercolours

from the royal collection, and

copies of letters from Oucen

Victoria's eldest daughter.

who married Friedrich Wil-helm III of Prussia. In return

the president gave her a set of

Meissen coffee cups, bearing scenes associated with her German forebears.

One guest who was signifi-

cantly absent from the open-

ing ceremonies was Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, who stayed behind for yester-

day's cabinet meeting and caught up with the royal party later in the day.

Later, as she did on her two

previous state visits in 1965

and 1978, the Queen laid a

wreath at a cemetery for

German victims of two world

wars and of other internal

tyrannies. During an after-

noon visit to the new Bonn

school in Bonn.





Dining a la carte. Sir Marcus Fox, who was criticised by members of the executive, and Dame Jill Knight

# Prime minister gives top backbenchers a grilling at their anniversary lunch

By JULI SHERMAN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE prime minister gave senior backbenchers a dressing down yesterday for failing publicly to back the government when it most needed their support. During a 90minute lunch at the Carlton Club in St James's, John Major made it clear that he was unhappy with senior members of the 1922 executive committee openly criticis-

ing policy.

His comments were said to be particularly directed at Sir Marcus Fox, chairman of the 1922 committee, who described the scale of the pit closure programme as unacceptable, Sir George Gardiner, Sir Rhodes Boyson, Sir Tony Durant and Sir John Hannam, who have all spoken out against the closures. While Mr Major was given the grilling he expected over the ill-timed pit dosure programme, one backbencher

was greeted by a large and enthusiastic crowd, all of

whom had apparently been able to find space to watch her

without rising at dawn to reserve their places.

German press reaction to the visit remains overwhelm-

ingly warm and favourable, a

near-messianic attachment to

a unified Europe. Bild. the

country's largest selling daily and its nearest equivalent to

The Sun, commented yester-day that the first state visit by a

British monarch to a unified

Germany since the days of Kaiser Wilhelm was meant "10

send a signal to counter petty

rows about the pound and the

Deutschmark. Europe is two important to fail because of

Late last night the Queen

and the duke retired to their

quarters in the Petersberg, a grand hilitop hotel overlook-ing the Rhine which counts among its historic guests Nev-ille Chamberlain, on his way

to collect a piece of paper in

1938. One mark of the new

Germany is that, unlike in

Basil Fawlty's dining room, it is now perfectly acceptable to

mention the war.

political topics of the day".

1922 COMMITTEE said the tables were turned on senior members of the executive by the prime minister and other members of the

ence Higgins criticised Sir Marcus for not consulting the committee before speaking out and Sir Peter Hordern.

It is understood that Ter-

on government policies." Sir Marcus would say nothing about the lunch apart from disclosing what was eaten. Over salmon mousse, lamb chops and chocolate cups Mr Major reassured the executive that the government had taken their views on



Outspoken executives: Sir George Gardiner, left, Sir Rhodes Boyson and Sir Tony Durant

board when framing yesterday's review.

Most of the 18 executive

members felt the statement was enough to secure their support during the Commons debate tomorrow but they were divided about whether it was enough to stave off defeat. By the weekend it was clear that several members would either vote against or abstain. Sir Rhodes Boyson was the only member of the executive who was publicly still unhappy after the statement.

The lunch, to celebrate the seventieth anniversary of the 1922 backbench committee, was delayed due to Mr Major's late arrival. Flanked by Sir Marcus and Dame Jill Knight, Mr Major waited till after the first course before giving details of the revised package. He admitted the issue had been handled badly and in a frank exchange the backbenchers charged him with poor communications and ineffective leadership.

# summit in Birmingham. The impact of the 1 per cent interest rate cut announced

Ryder: warned Major of impending defeat

that morning was swallowed up in the row about which ministers had made the mining decision. The summit had become completely over-

shadowed by the crisis. After swiftly summing up the summit's conclusions with Jacques Delors, Mr Ma-jor bade farewell to the European Commission president and announced that Mr Heseltine would be coming fessettine would be coming forward on Monday with a package of retraining measures for redundant miners.

If he had any hopes that it might have been enough to still the rebellion, they could not have lasted for long. Normally symmethetic neurons. Normally sympathetic news-papers were united in calling on him to think again. Conservative MPs were deluged with protests in their constituencies. They called their regional whips to tell them that they could not support the government.
It is unlikely that Mr Ryder needed a calculator to determine the scale of the likely defeat if the government pressed ahead. He was said by officials yesterday to have given a "very realistic" assess-

# Hardcore still not won over

critics appears to be in-tent on rebellion in spite of Michael Heseltine's concessions yesterday. Richard Shepherd, MP for Aldridge Brownhills, said he was not

# appeased and would vote

gainst the government. Elizabeth Peacock. parliamentary private secretary to Nicholas Scott, social security minister, and Winston Churchill, MP for Davyhulme, said all condemned pits had to be included in the review. Sir Rhodes Boyson

# Heseltine climbs

By SHEILA GUNN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

A HARDCORE of Tory

# REBELS

(Brent North) and Hugh Dykes (Harrow East) both remained critical and Bill Walker (Tayside N) said his price for support would be the resignation of Mr Hesel-

# down to halt revolt

Continued from page I decision, said that former energy secretary Lord Walker who was in office during the last miners' strike - would coordinate the aid package. At one point Mr Heseltine's patience snapped in the face of an unrelenting barrage of barracking and jeers, and told chanting Labour MPs to "stop being so plain bloody stupid. He appeared shaken by the hostility that confronted him. and last night rightwing Tory

him for his role in Margaret Thatcher's downfall continued to call for his head. Asked last night whether he had done enough to stave off defeat. Mr Heseltine said: "1 put the best case I could to the Commons. 1 hope my col-leagues will respond to that. I am told that a number of them

MPs who have never forgiven

But both in the Commons and outside, Tory MPs were saying that Mr Heseltine had not gone far enough. Hugh Dykes (Harrow East) warned him that unless he put the ten into review with the others. "you won't carry the House of

Churchiii Winston (Davyhulme), who has led the rebels, demanded a moratorifirm for at least 90 per-cent of

the closures before he could support the government. Elizabeth Peacock (Batley and Spen) said there was still a lot of unease among Conserva-tives, and the next 48 hours would be crucial. Later she said that if the review did not cover all 31 pits, she would still vote against the government. But John Watts (Slough). Chairman of the Treasury Select Committee, thought Mr Heseltine had done enough to stave off defeat.

Labour intends to flesh out the remaining Tory rebels with a motion for tomorrow's debate calling for an energy policy review and for the moratorium to cover all the threatened pits. Its motion says there should be no closures until the Commons trade and industry select com-mittee reviews all the costs and

The TUC called the statement a "massive climbdown" but said next Sunday's protest rally should still go ahead. Norman Willis, the general secretary, said Mr Heseltine's announcement was no genuine moratorium.

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Scargill and Lynk

By KATE ALDERSON AND PAUL WILKINSON

reject 'whitewash'

ARTHUR Scargill, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, last night rejected the government's scaleddown pit closure plan and called for a full independent review of the future of the coal industry. His arch-rival of the great coal strike, Roy Lynk, leader of the Union of Democratic Mineworkers, also rejected Michael Heseltine's statement and vowed to continue his underground sit-in at Silverhill colliery near Mans-

Mr Scargill said the closures had merely been put off and his union's campaign to keep all the pits open would continue. He called on Mr Heseltine

to resign.

He said: "I am disgusted with the reaction of Mr Heseltine and the Conservative government. He has indicated a delayed execution for 21 pits and immediate execution for 10. It does not in any way address the fundamental problem that we have raised."

Mr Lynk said he would remain underground at Silverhill at least until tomorrow's Commons debate. He described the statement as a whitewash" which was designed to placate the Conservative back benches.

"It's just stretching things out," he said, speaking via a telephone inside the pit. "It's an insult to the intelligence of the people of Britain to the intelligence of the House of Commons and to the intelligence of the mine workers.

"I believe now, more than ever, that there should be a public enquiry to find out who is pulling the wool over whose

eyes." David Bamford, 26, a miner for 12 years at Silverhill, said that while he expected the pit to shut, the fresh uncertainty had created an unbearable situation. "It's like waiting to be hanged. I would sooner the pit shut this week than drag the whole thing out."

Miners at Silverhill arrived

for work yesterday morning but were turned away. A handful drifted back yesterday afternoon to try to find out if the pit would be working again. Alan Batterham, UDM secretary at Silverhill, said "We don't know if we are going into a 90-day reprieve. Miners will turn up for work at 8am on Tuesday and I expect we will know the outcome of all of this by Tuesday kunchtime."

Norman Willis, TUC gener-Heseltine's announcement was "no genuine moratorium. All the miners have got is a stay of execution. This is a massive climbdown on tactics dimbdown on policy."

Alan Tuffin, president of the Trades Union Congress, said Mr Heseltine's statement was "a cynical attempt to save his political skin". He, too, urged an independent review of the country's energy needs.

He was joined in this call by Malcolm Edwards, the former British Coal commercial director. Mr Edwards urged the government to offer mines for sale or lease before shutting them down.



Turned away: miners arriving at Silverhill yesterday. They were sent home

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tricity generating industry. Market mechanisms alone could not guarantee generators would take the right decisions about long-term energy sources, the committee said. If they got it wrong consumers, and the nation, would pay the price.

With extraordinary foresight, the committee concluded: "If a significant proportion of the UK's coal reserves were abandoned, which we hope will not happen, resulting in a major reduction of long-term energy security, the govern-ment should understand that the country would see this not as a commercial decision, but as a largely irreversible decision of historic significance for

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Coal programme of 31 pit closures announced by

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long-term stable prices, unaffected by exchange-rate fluctuations. Since "Black Wednesday", September 16, sterling has declined against the dollar by 12 per cent. This makes competing supplies of imported coal, plus oil and gas, which are priced in dollars, much more expensive. The committee said: "A

of outcry last year

By Ross Tieman and Patricia Tehan

■ The energy select committee tried to impress on ministers

14 months ago the value of ensuring the place of coal in

providing for Britain's long-term energy needs

THE upsurge of public disquiet the ability of the United Kinger that forced the government dom coal industry to provide

to suspend plans to close up to

two-thirds of Britain's coal

industry was forecast by back-

bench MPs more than a year

Members of the energy

select committee warned min-isters in a report published in

July last year that the market for coal was being destroyed and that irreversible damage

and that irreversible damage threatened the industry. Their concerns were publicly reiterated in March this year in a subsequent report that was highly critical of the government's electricity privatisation measures. Ministers failed to respond effectively to either report.

report.
The strongest warning was contained in the July report.
Clean Coal Technology and the Coal Market After 1993,

from the energy committee. It

called on the government to develop a national energy strategy to see Britain into the next millennium.

The committee gave a warning against coal industry cuts

based on the short or medi-

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long-term view needs to be taken of the value of having a substantial indigenous coal industry offering secure sup-plies at stable prices, and of coal's place among other fuels in providing for the country's

long-term energy needs."

The report also savaged the government for refusing the

investment necessary to protect Britain's world-leading position in the development of clean coal technology. New ways of burning coal at higher temperatures are seen as crucial meeting tougher environmental protection guidelines.

The energy committee repeated many of its concerns after a further enquiry last winter into the working of the privatised electricity regime.

In evidence to the power industry enquiry, Malcolm Edwards, the former commercial director of British Coal, predicted a cut in coal purchases by the generators to 20-40 million tormes, with drastic consequences for the mining

New coal contracts have still to be signed. But it was the sharp cuts in purchases sig-nalled by the generators which precipitated the government's attempt to shut 31 pits, with the loss of 30,000 jobs.

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Mr Heseltine added: "If.

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Industry". It recommended that British Coal be given "a

fair opportunity" to compete to

generate power using its own

coal in competition with the

generators.

Speaking at the internat-

ional coal traders' conference in Nice yesterday, Malcohn Edwards said: "There is a

need for a thorough, indepen-dent and knowledgeable re-

view of a major issue of

national energy policy." Brit-

ain was in danger of sealing off access to much of Europe's best coal reserves for good if British Coal went ahead with

the closures. "Millions have

been spent on equipping these

mines to the highest standards in the world. We should do

everything to get value for that

investment, not throw it

☐ The government is under-

stood to have given the two

power generators of England and Wales approval to start

numing down their coal stocks. This is believed to be

why the generators plan to cut their orders from British Coal

over the next five years so

The signing of the contracts has been held up as British

Coal and the generators work

out how much coal is wanted

and at what price, and the

WORKERS in Britain's nuclear power industry have set aside their traditional conflict of interest with the miners to join the rejection of pit closures, raising the prospect of a joint campaign of industrial action to keep mines open

Leaders of 10,000 workers

Union leaders fear that the heavily subsidised nuclear industry will also be run down and shut if the government succeeds in its plans to close 31 pits. Jack Dromey, national secretary of the TGWU, said that the government had scrapped Britain's traditional

They are coming for the

# Heseltine gives pits o Nuclear back coal

at the state-owned AEA technology group and British Nuclear Fuels (BNFL) said that they would form local action committees this week uniting workers in coal mining, the nuclear industry and

for more than four-fifths of British Coal sales, are set to fall from 65 million tonnes this year to 40 million tonnes in the year beginning In subsequent years they are expected to fall to 30 million tormes, less than policy of generating power from coal, supported by nuclear and plants. mer commercial director at

miners, and unless we speak out, tomorrow they will come for workers in the coalpowered power stations. Then they will come for what's left of the nuclear industry."

# Aid chief is the obvious choice

By PETER RIDDELL, POLITICAL EDITOR

ABOUR MPs jeered in Lithe House of Commons vesterday when Michael Heseltine said that Peter Walker - now Lord Walker of Worcester — would be the "distinguished national figure" to advise him and to act as "co-ordinator and facilitator at the national level" on providing assistance to areas affected by pit closures.

But, in many ways, Lord Walker is the obvious person for Mr Heseltine, president of the board of trade, to pick.

The appointment is a reversal of roles from the days of the Heath administration when Mr Heseltine served as a junior minister under Lord Walker. The two have been closely associated ever since then. They have both believed in an active government role in encouraging the revival of previously depressed and run-

down area Lord Walker, who takes his seat in the House of Lords tomorrow, was never identified with Thatcherism. He has always been an advocate of secretary. He played an active

One Nation Toryism with its emphasis on reducing social tensions and divisions. He was a former lieutenant of Sir Edward Heath, serving as his campaign manager in the Conservative leadership election of 1965. He was also environment

secretary and trade and industry secretary in the 1970-4 Heath government. But he served on the back benches during the Tories' period in opposition under Baroness

Thatcher's leadership before he joined her government in May 1979.

During 11 years as a member of the Thatcher cabinet until he retired in the spring of 1990, Lord Walker was a licensed dissenter, permutted to pursue interventionist policies as, successively, agricultime minister, energy secretary (during the miners strike of 1984-5) and; finally, as Welsh

role, in conjunction with Labour-run local authorities in Wales, in helping to bring substantial new investment to rundown areas in the valleys. Mr Heseltine, then environ-

ment secretary, had nominathe left the Commons at the last election - to become head of the urban regeneration agency to co-ordinate government assistance to revive rundown inner-city areas. His new job as co-ordinator of assistance for mining areas will be very similar in its aim.

ord Walker said last night Lihat there was "a need to get a good team spirit between local authorities, government, industry and trade unions". He said that he wanted "to try to do an analysis of the

priorities and what tasks are needed to get new commercial and economic activities in the localities". Lord Walker is likely to prove as energetic a co-ordinator as can be found in the ranks of former



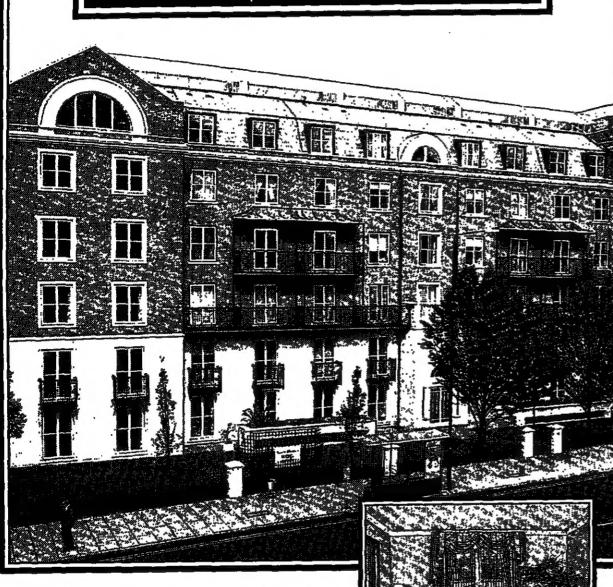
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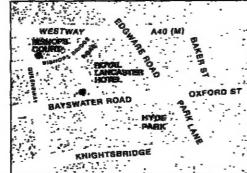
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# Commons told of rethink on the pace of pit closures

BRITISH Coal is to impose a moratorium on 21 of the coal mines that were scheduled to be closed over the next few months, the Commons was told yesterday. But ten pits on the list are to shut.

Making the announcement to a packed and noisy House of Commons yesterday. Michael Heseltine, president of the board of trade, also outlined a package of measures aimed at alleviating the distress caused by the widespread loss of

employment.
To shouts of derision from Labour MPs, Me Heselfine announced that Lord Walker, the former Tory cabinet minis-ter credited with doing much to rejuvenate the redundant cnalfields of South Wales, will co-ordinate the assistance to the stricken areas. About £165 million of new money is being made available.

Mr Heseltine entered the

chamber minutes before he was due to speak to hissing, and shouts of "resign" from the Opposition benches. The prime minister followed moments later to further shouts of resign". Mr Major sat stony

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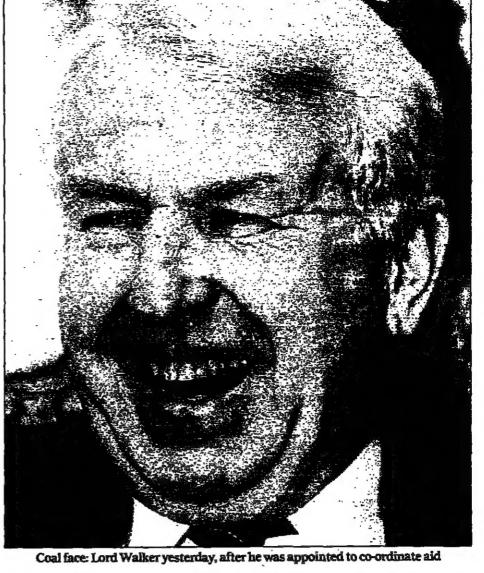
faced on the frontbench throughout the two-hour grilling of his minister.

Mr Heseltine said that British Coal was producing 88 million tonnes with 65 million going to the generators. It was unlikely that British Coal would be able to sell more than 40,000 tonnes after April

next year.
"The economic case for a substantial reduction in capacity therefore remains compelling. Nevertheless, the government recognises the concern at the speed of the rundown and about the very great difficulties it would cause to the communities involved.

We have therefore concluded that, for the time being, British Coal should be allowed to proceed with the closure of only ten pits which they have told me are currently lossmaking and have no prospect of viability in the foreseeable

To loud protests from Labour MPs and cries of "shame" he said these were: Vane Tempest, Grimethorpe and Houghton Main, Markham Main, Trentham, Parkside,



Cotgrave, Silverhill, Betws and Taff Merthyr. No closure would take place until after the statutory con-

sultation period. In the case of all other dosures and redundancies, British Coal would introduce a moratorium until early in the new year except for those which might be agreed by the

"We will carry out wide-spread consultation with all those concerned over the next three months. We will then announce our conclusions, following these consultations, to Parliament in the new year.

"If, following this process

Coal's judgment is confirmed then British Coal will proceed with a phased programme of colliery closures aimed at reducing surplus capacity as soon as possible."

Mr Heseltine went on to outline the help he proposed to provide for the coalfield com-The government would be

introducing enterprise zones

in the areas where they will be most effective. A further £75 million additional money would be made available over the next three years with £10 million spent this year. Assisted area status, already an-

would be extended to other areas affected by pit closures.
"I intend to extend the coverage of regional enterprise grants to all coal closure areas," Mr Heschine said.

Michael Howard, the environment secretary, is setting up a coalfield area fund with up to £5 million. He is writing to local authorities asking for proposals on how the money can be spent to help those

made redundant. All the measures would put about £165 million of new money into the affected areas. "I know that this will make a major impact in transforming the economies of these areas.

Cheltenham were not protest-

ing about the timetable. "They

were protesting at the closures

and they want the closures

stopped, not phased in," he

# Labour demands independent enquiry

By ROBERT MORGAN

ROBIN Cook, the shadow trade and industry secretary, was scathing in his attack on Michael Heseltine, when he gave his reaction to the moratorium and the package of measures to help the coalmining areas.

"Does Mr Heseltine think the past seven days have enhanced or reduced the credibility of the government?" he asked to cheers and laughter from the Labour benches. He demanded that an independent enquiry be established and said that if the govern-ment did not establish one, COOK Labour would table a Commons motion to allow the House to set one up.

Mr Cook said that on Sunday Mr Heseltine had told the nation that there was no alternative to his closure programme. "May I therefore congratulate him that by Monday he had discovered there at least might be an alternative closure pro-

"If, as he claims, Mr Heseltine agonised over this

decision for months, how did he come up with a decision which cannot even survive six days of public debate, and how was it that he approved a timetable for closure that could not survive three days of

challenge in the courts?" Could he explain, he added, why he ever approved a pro-gramme put forward by British Coal that involved

breaking the law?
The delay in the closure programme that Mr Heseltine had announced did not measure up to what the nation

The people, Mr Cook continued, did not want money spent on retraining miners for the dole. "They want action to save the miners' jobs."

"His statement will be judged by whether it is a

said to cheers.

genuine attempt to save miners' jobs, or a manoeuvre to save ministers' jobs," he said to further cheers from Labour MPs. Today, he said, Mr Heseltine claimed that there was a clear economic case for the closures. On Sunday he had said it would lead to cheaper electricity. "Can he name a single independent expert who believes him?" The chief executive of PowerGen had said it would put up

generating costs.

The remarkable thing about the statement was that it contained not one single proposal for action. Recalling Mr Heseltine's speech to the Tory conference, he said that only a fortnight ago he had promised to intervene before breakfast, before lunch and before dinner. Why did he not intervene now the way the German government intervened to help the German mining industry? Last week the German government came foward with a package to keep German pits open.

# Government fails to silence rebels

# BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY

TORY backbenchers quickly made Michael Heseltine uncomfortably aware that he had failed to curb opposition on his own side. The minister was pressed by Conservatives rebels for firmer commitments to mining communities and a coal industry.

Calls were made for an examination of the costs of producing British coal, the role of the electricity generat-ing companies and the eco-nomic, social and strategic consequences of pit closures. While the suddenness of the announcement drew particular criticism. MPs on both

# BACKBBACKERS

sides were adamant that they were opposed to the entire principle of closures. Winston Churchill (Davy-

hulme), who has led Tory criticism, warned Heseltine that he was unlikely to support the government in Wednesday's Opposition day debate on coal. "Unless you are prepared to assure the House that what you are offering is a thorough-going review of Britain's long-term strategic energy requirements ... and that, pending that, there will be a moratorium on

at least 90 per cent of the closures, I certainly would find

# it difficult to support your position in the division

Hugh Dykes (Harrow East) told the minister that if he did not "undertake to put the ten pits into a total fundamental review ... then he will not carry the House on Wednesday night."
Several Tories questioned

the wisdom of shutting down mines when they had become more efficient and criticism more efficient and criticism extended to the privatisation of electricity, which some claimed was at the root of the troubles. Robert Adley (Christchurch) said Mr Heseltine had no influence over the power generating companies

# Political writer's love of life recalled

# BY BILL FROST

R ich and affectionate tributes were paid by politicians and fellow journalists yesterday to the late Peter Jenkins, leading col-umnist with The Independent until his death last May. Some he had scourged in print and others had been his rivals, but all had gath-ered to praise his lucid prose and love of life.

Michael Heseltine, presi-dent of the board of trade. told the congregation at St Margaret's Church, Westminster, of a close friendship with the columnist which began more than 45 years ago in south Wales. "I first met Peter at the end of the

last war in Swansea. I have no difficulty remembering the date because my father had just returned from overseas and had made me a canoe. Years later at a Guardian editorial lunch he told me he had never liked

never forget the bravery with which he fought his illness and I miss his advice."

me because my canoe was bigger than his." Mr Heseltine described Peter Jenkins as a political writer of rare and invaluable quality. "He enjoyed the trust of those he commented on and matched, if not excelled, their knowledge of the matter in hand ... I will

Julian Mitchell, a close family friend and television

unmist's overwhelming enthusiasm. "I remember him' lying on his back kicking his legs in the air and laughing uproariously over a game of croquet. I remember a person with a small boy's enthusiasm and a wise man's judgment. He was the only man I ever knew who even when depressed was de-pressed with gusto. His sudden departure, at the age of 58, was an outrage," he said.

A editor of The Independent, said the newspaper had received more letters of regret after the death of Mr. Jenkins than on any other topic before or since. "He

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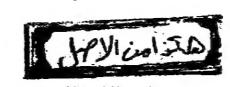
varied talents, an influence for good and a journalist who enjoyed a remarkable rapport with his readers."

Lung disease had taken hold of Peter Jenkins like a tiger and dragged him down, his editor said. "However, he did not waver or complain. He wrote his column as usual right up to the last." Former Tory ministers, Labour frontbenchers and Fleet Street political editors mingled outside St Marga-Melly, the jazz singer, re-called his old friend's love of

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# Mob storms dock during Nikki Allen murder case

By Paul WILKINSON

PANDEMONIUM erupted at Sunderland magistrates' court yesterday when a mob stormed the dock holding a man accused of the murder of seven-year-old Nikki Allen.

The dead child's father was in a large group of shouting men and women who surged forward from their seats in the public gallery towards George Heron, 23. David Allen, 25. was dragged by police over the dock's 5ft wall to prevent him being crushed by the crowd, which buckled 3in-thick brass

poles.
The proceedings had fin-ished and Mr Heron was being led to the cells after a three-minute hearing when the incident happened. One woman dressed in black sprinted to the rails of the dock and spat in the jobless bache-

lor's face.
Police had been warned of a possible demonstration at the court and had drafted in 15 officers to shield the dock of court number one from the public area. But they were overwhelmed by the sheer intensity of the uproar.

Earlier, a crowd of about 200 had gathered outside the building. Police searched everyone entering the public gallery. By the time Mr Heron appeared the galley was crammed with more than 100 people. Supt Alex Price of Northumbria police said: "From information received in Nikki's neighbourhood we yard of a block of flats from knew that there was going to her grandmother's apartment.

CASH cutbacks are threaten-

ing the existence of many regional theatrical and musi-

cal companies, arts campaign-

ers said yesterday. London boroughs are faced with a

maior collanse in funding

with a 43 per cent reduction in

per capita spending on the

Figures for planned local authority spending on the arts

and museums, released yester-day, show a 9.2 per cent

decrease from £338 million in

1991/2 to £325 million for the

next financial year. Six of the

metropolitan districts have to

reduce next year's spending.

The 22 aris groups based in

the London borough of Cam-den may suffer a 50 per cent

cut in next year's arts budget.

Simon Mundy, director of the National Campaign for

the Arts, said that many local

groups had been forced to cut

activities and in some cases

close as local authority fund-

ing dried up. "What is worry-

ing is that it is not only

affecting the larger organ-

isations. More often than not

Kingston-upon-Hull Northampton Crawley Nottingham Scarborough

arts since last year.

Cash cuts 'threaten

be some kind of demonstration in court.

"The man who was dragged into the dock was the father of the dead child and he was brought over the railings by officers for his own safety. There was a real possibility of his being crushed by the press of the crowd. No arrests have

The defendant had stood handcuffed to two police offi-cers as he was accused of murdering Nikki between Oc-tober 6 and 9. Dressed in a brown jumper, white shirt and brown trousers. Mr Heron's voice was barely audible as he replied to his name and address. He made no answer to the charge when it was put to

George Dowell, for the pros-ecution, asked that Mr Heron, who lives in Hendon, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, be remanded in custody for his

"He would be subject to great personal risk from the people in the Sunderland area," he said.

Peter Thubron, for the defence, made no application for bail and the case was adjourned until Wednesday, October 28. Reporting restrictions were not lifted.

Nikki's body had been found dumped in a derelict

warehouse. She had disappeared as she walked home the few yards across the court-



All smiles the Queen is welcomed to Bonn by Richard von Weizäcker, the German president, on the first day of a state visit seen by diplomats as an opportunity to end the war of words that followed Black Wednesday. The newspaper Bild said vesterday

that the Queen's presence signalled the end of petty rows about the pound and the mark. Die Welt claimed that both countries were now "banking on the Crown" to end recent tensions.

The visit also celebrates German unification. The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will go to Berlin, which she last visited in 1987, when its wall was still standing. She will walk through the Brandenburg Gate into the former East Germany.

Healing the wounds, page 1

# Soames

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY CORRESPONDENT

mass arts closures' By Alison Roberts, arts reporter the organisations at the grass roots are also suffering and that will have a profound effect on the long-term future of the British cuisine.

arts in this country," he said. The Arts Council said it was ie the likely imbac of the cuts on arts sage," he declared.

Charles Morgan, compiler of the local arts league of the National Campaign for the Arts, said that the cost of the Arts Council reorganisation begun four years ago in an effort to devolve funding to the regions and reduce administrative costs - was out of

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Arts Council and Regional Arts Associations accounts to March 1991 showed that the cost was approaching £2

million. The relocation of several of the regional associations had added more than £1 million to the cost of administering the arts funding system, he said. He urged the heritage department to impose strict cash limits on the Arts Council's

administrative expenditure.

# supports sausages

**AGRICULTURE** 

NICHOLAS Soames, junior agriculture minister and scion of a family noted for its heroic consumption of fine food, yesterday championed one of the pinnacles of

"We are the doughty guardians and champions of the British sau-

Speaking at the launch in London of the British Sausage Appreciation Society, Mr Soames proclaimed sausages to be "a very healthy, mutritious food" - but would not say how often he ate

He predicted a big future for the British banger in the European Community's single market next year because "our standards are far higher than those which

pertain in Europe". German sausages must by law contain 100 per cent meat, defined as animal flesh. By contrast, the British pork sausage need not contain more than 65 per cent meat, of which only 80 per cent need be pork. Fat, skin, rind, gristle and sinew, in addition to flesh, may be included. Beef sausages are required to contain

only 50 per cent meat. The society, run on behalf of the Meat and Livestock Commission. has been formed to boost sales. Britons eat 278,000 tonnes of sausages a year including 85,000 tonnes eaten outside the home, but in the late 1970s home consumption alone 290,000 tonnes.

# Bombers' warning gave wrong target

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

A TELEPHONE warning before two IRA bombs exploded in London early yesterday was so vague that it put one of the targets in the wrong part of London, according to Scot-land Yard sources.

The bombs were placed under a coach by the Novotel hotel in Hammersmith, west London, and under a car in Oxendon Street, off the Haymarket. A caller to a London radio station lescribed the coach which exploded at 12.40am, as being in Paddington, several miles east of the actual site. The second bomb blew up at 1.30am.

Neither bomb caused any injuries. Each resulted in a small amount of damage. The Novotel held 600 guests at the time of the explosion. The coach seems to

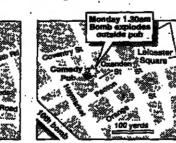
have been chosen at random.

the Comedy public house, which had closed some bours earlier. Several cars near the scene of the blast caught fire. The latest bombings bring

The second bomb was close to

the total in the past two weeks to ten. Yesterday Commander George Churchill-Coleman. head of the Yard's anti-terrorist branch, repeated his call for the public not to be panicked. He said that the bombers could be caught if the public ned watchtul and re ported anything unusual.
The recent bombs are

thought to be small, containing under a pound of explosive and a simple timer that runs for less than an hour. The attacks are seen as the latest example of what one senior officer recently called "mix and match" tactics, intended to keep police constantly on



their guard.



# Anger over EC deal on maternity payments

By SHEDLA GUNN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

PREGNANT women will be entitled to improved maternity leave under a deal sanctioned by EC ministers yesterday after the terms were heavily watered down by British

Guian Snepnard, the en ployment secretary, won approval for the limited improvement in maternity rights, entitling women to 14 weeks maternity

leave on sick pay. The deal removes the condi-tions, unique to Britain, which excluded women with less than two years' full-time service or five years' part-time service from maternity leave or pay. The change in the British law is expected to form part of this session's employment bill.

Labour condemned Mrs Shephard yesterday for reject-ing the original scheme, which would have given all working women in the EC the right to 14 weeks maternity leave on full pay. At present British women are entitled to six weeks leave on 90 per cent of pay if they fulfil the length of

service conditions. Frank Dobson, the shadow employment secretary, said the EC law as drafted would have helped 350,000 women.
"Instead, as a result of the wrecking efforts of the British

government, the number of women who will benefit will be 16,000 and all they will get is sick pay," he added.

Marjorie Mowlam, Labour's minister for women, accused Mrs Shephard of becoming "very deceptive and economical with the truth" because of the employment secretary's pledge in the Com-mons, the election manifesto and the Tory conference.

# Home gas leak kills family of three

A woman found her daughter, son-in-law and four-year-old grandson dead yesterday after they had been overcome by gas furnes. The family had complained of feeling unwell on Sunday, Gas company investigators suspect that they were killed by carbon monoxide from a faulty central heating

Joyce Roberts, 51, made the discovery when she called at Joyce Roberts, 51, mane the discovery when she cauged at the semi-detached house in Warwick because she could not get through on the telephone. She smelt gas after walking through the front door. Susan Hay, 34, David Hay, 44, and their son Michael, were dead in the lounge.

Inspector John Bond, of Warwickshire police at Learnington, said that Mrs Roberts had learnt of the family's included at 10 are Sanday. "She there will be because the learner of the learning to the same at 10 are as Sanday."

ton, sand that learn to the laminy's sickness at 10 am on Sunday. "She then visited the house at around 5 pm the same day but couldn't get any response after banging on the front door. She still couldn't get a reply on the telephone after going back home and decided to return to the house the following day with her spare key.

"When she opened the front door, she smelt gas but went incident to discount her december of the state of the same has decided to be a smelt gas but went incident.

inside to discover her daughter sitting on a chair and her grandson and his father slumped side by side on a settee. We are investigating the cause but are not looking for anyone else. It would appear that there was some kind of fault with a gas central heating boiler."

# Motorway hanging

A taxi driver was found hanged from a bridge on the M25 in view of drivers on their way to work yesterday. Henry Case, 58, left his home in Biggin Hill, southeast London, at 3am. His body was spotted four hours later suspended from the bridge at Westerham, Kent. Mr Case, who was married, had lost his job because of his arthritis and he also suffered timities—a constant ringing in the ears. A traffic jam built up as police and firemen retrieved the body, and one driver crashed his car. Police said: "Thankfully the body was spotted and removed before it got too light, but there were still a lot of people rubbernecking to see what was going on. It appears to be a tragic suicide but there will be an inquest."

# 300th school opts out

A school in the prime minister's Huntingdon constituency yesterday became the 300th to be allowed to opt out of local anthority control. Sawtry Village College was one of a batch of nine to become grant-maintained. Baroness Blatch, education minister, said: "Self-governing status will give it the power to decide on priorities for action and the financial control to put them into practice." The other schools were Salesian College, Wandsworth: Castle View, Cornelius Vermuyden and Appleton schools, Essex, Upton Grammar School, Berkshire; St Thomas More RC School, Stoke-on-Trent; Front Lawn Middle School, Hampshire and The King's School, Peterborough.

# Home debt help urged

More advice is needed for homeowners facing repossession, according to the National Consumer Council (Rachel Kelly writes). Of the 267 county courts in England and Wales, only 30 have independent advice available on the premises. The Lord Chancellor's own advisory committee acknowledges that there is a "real need" for court-based advice services in the busiest courts. The Legal Aid Board has shown that the cost of such a scheme would be small, especially compared with the costs of housing homeless families and the misery this causes. More than 35,700 homeowners were repossessed in the first six months of this year, according to the Council of Mortgage Lenders.

# Frenchman cleared

A Frenchman fiving in London was cleared yesterday of taking part in a £35 million gold smuggling conspiracy. Judge Negus ordered at Southwark Crown Court that a not guilty verdict be entered against John de Vandiere, who denied acting as a minder for the smugglers. The jury had failed to reach a verdict on Saturday against M de Vandiere, 47, of Honor Oak, southeast London, after the Crown had offered no evidence against him. Robert Nell, 47, the leader of the smugglers, was found guilty with seven others of conspiring to smuggle four and a half tonnes of gold into Britain from Lovembourg, and of evading VAT. They are expected to be sentenced later this week.

# Baghdad appeal filed

Britain and Sweden have filed appeals in a Baghdad court, seeking the release of two Britains and three Swedes jailed for illegal entry to Britains and three Swedes jailed for illegal entry to Britains and Michael Wainwright, 42, is serving a ten years and Michael Wainwright, 42, is serving a ten years from The three Swedes were jailed for seven years. Both Britains are in Iraq's maximum security Abu Greib jail, near Baghdad, living mainly on timed food. If the appeals fail, they can appeal to President Saddam Hussein for clemency.

# Three seek prison post

Two people from outside the civil service are on a shortlist of three candidates for the post of chief executive of the prison service when it becomes a semi-independent agency next year. Kenneth Clarke, home secretary, is expected to announce the successful candidate this week. The shortlist includes Joe Pilling now director general of the service and candidates from Granada and London Transport. Mr Pilling is a Whitehall official who has served in the Home Office and Northern Ireland Office.

# Bank of Ireland **Base Rate**

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# Embassy seeks clues to 1942 crash pilot

■ Mystery over the identity of a pilot shot down over France in

1942 has deepened, with a search of war dead and missing

registers drawing a blank. French police, war grave officials and

Bomb blast: police checking the car in Haymarket

BY MICHAEL HORSNELL

OFFICIALS from the British Embassy in Paris and the Commonwealth War Graves Commission yesterday began investigating the wreckage of a British fighter shot down over Normandy in October 1942 as mystery grew about

the pilot's identity. The site, in a maize field near Rauville-la-Place, 19 miles from Cherbourg, was cordoned off by gendarmes as the painstaking task of as-sembling the remains of the plane and its flyer began.

The pilot, who wore a pair of gold cufflinks and carried embroidered handkerchief, appeared to be wearing a Fleet Air Arm uniform with lieutenant's insignia and the name tag "Eaden D" on his However, a search of

records indicates that no one

of that name, from any of the

services, died in the second

world war. The name "War-

museum curators are trying to solve the puzzle ren" on the pilot's flying boots only compounds the puzzle. Susan Wake, a graves commission official in Arras. is expected to file a report

today to Wg Cdr Gareth Cun-ningham, assistant air attaché at the embassy, after visiting the site where the pilot crashed after a duel with a Luftwaffe plane over Germanoccupied France 50 years ago. The remains of the aircraft, thought to be a Seafire, the naval version of the Spitfire,

were excavated by a mechani-cal digger 20ft deep in a field by Patrick Delahaye, 31, a military hospital nurse. Wg Cdr Cunningham said: "Our primary concern is to identify who the pilot was and to give him a decent burial.

We have confirmed the names

found on him, but what we need is the dog tag around his neck, which would confirm the identity. It is a difficult task. The gendarmes have spoken to someone who saw the crash, but there were so many planes that went

Graham Mottram, curator of the Fleet Air Arm museum at Yeovilton, has discovered that the only "Eaden D" to have served in the war survived it despite an accident in 1944. A Donald Eden, a paymaster sub-lieutenant in the Royal Navy, from British Columbia, who perished at sea in 1941 has been ruled out.

Mr Mottram said: There is so much doubt about the pilot's identity that speculation is not a good idea. There

is doubt, too, about what type of plane it was and with which service it was flying. It is by no means unlikely that there are relatives of this person still

Andie Saunders, of the Tangmere military aviation museum, said, after examining comprehensive registers of the dead and missing: There was definitely no casualty of the name Eaden D in the second world war." Mr Saunders has found an

Australian pilot, Ralph Ernest Warren, service no 404899, who is commemorated at the Runnymede memorial to Commonwealth airmen, but he was lost in May 1942.

Mr Saunders said: "It was not uncommon for airmen to borrow clothing and boots from their mates, and Eaden could even be the name of the tailor ... Another possibility is that parts of the body were found in 1942 and buried then, only for other parts to be discovered 50 years later."

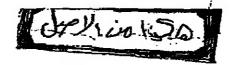
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Women involved in the

study at Aberdeen University

Medical School will be taught

relaxation and be encouraged

to use imagery techniques, in which they will be asked to picture their illness, using a

booklet ranging from medi-

cally correct drawings to

The study, funded by the

Cancer Research Campaign,

will involve up to 100 women

with advanced cancer requir-

ing surgery, chemotherapy or radiation, or a combination of

dards in the private security

industry will be launched to-

day as senior police officers

demand that the Home Office

introduce statutory regulation

The formation of an inspec-torate to monitor the activities

of private security firms is the

latest effort by the industry to

police itself. The aim is to

encourage companies to use

only security firms that have

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While welcoming the initia-

tive, Britain's senior police

officers believe that a volun-

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killing cells in their blood.

Breast cancer victims

to be given doses of

'relaxation' therapy

ventional treatments.

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day in Edinburgh, Professor Gordon McVie, the cam-

paign's scientific director, said

that the study, to last for three

years, was "one of the most

imaginative and innovative"

approaches to cancer in the

Dr Leslie Walker, senior lec-

turer in mental health at the

medical school, said: "For

women, this disease can be

one of the most stressful ill-

nesses. Not only do they have

breast cancer, but also with

treatment which is potentially

A DRIVE to improve staning apart from one minor piece of legislation covering guard dogs.

Security firms set

up quality control

By RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

Robert · Haymon-Collins, marketing director of the Inspectorate of the Security In-dustry, said: "Too many companies have used the growth of the industry to reduce their security costs to an absolute minimum."

He said the absence of statutory regulation had led to a two-tier industry with some firms taking their role seriously but a larger number "out to make a fast buck". Mr Haymon-Collins added: There is still no requirement for security firms to vet their personnel. It is one of the great

He said he hoped the inspectorate could develop into a statutory body for the industry, but last year Kenneth Baker, knows its exact size, the num-... then .. bome .. secretary, .. disber of firms in existence, or the; 'missed the introduction of a number employed within it. licensing system as expensive There is no stanutory licens and bureaucratic, ....

BREAST cancer patients are all three. Half the group will damaging to their images as receive the psychological treatwomen. If our therapy can go ment and half the more consome way to cutting this double-edged stress, then we Launching the study yestershould be able to help more women to cope better with this Or Walker has prepared a series of relaxation tests for the

women, who will be seen 14 times over 37 weeks. The treatment will include nine relaxation exercise sessions with a trained nurse. It is hoped that relaxation can combat patients' stress in discovering that they have the disease and can overcome some of the more unpleasant side effects of treatment, such

Dr Walker is also preparing a booklet on imagery tech-niques. He said that it would be up to the individual to choose which image suited her best. "For example, the natural cancer killer cells could be represented by a policeman with a truncheon who charges around the bloodstream hitting cancer cells on the head," he said.

Oleg Eremin, professor of surgery, will concentrate on testing patients' blood. He hopes to establish whether it is possible to enhance the number of cancer-killing cells through psychology. The team aims to build on American studies that indicate that the body's natural defences can be vital in treating cancers. Conventional treatment suppresses the body's natural defence mechanisms.

"If clinically significant enchancement of host defences can be demonstrated in patients with malignant disease, this could have major therapeutic implications," Professor Eremin said. "Relaxation training and guided imagery could not only reduce psychological stress but also have an impact on survival."

Breast cancer is the commonest cancer in women in-Britain, with 25,000 cases diagnosed every year, and 16,000 deaths. the causes thore trad so, of maiscontiers of



Autumn gold: ramblers dislike having to share the Ridgeway with vehicles

# Walkers clear Ridgeway hurdle

WALKERS on the Wessex Overton Hill in Wiltshire, Ridgeway have scored a victory in their attempts to ban traffic from the 80-mile path. A public enquiry opens in Swindon today on a proposal to stop motor vehicles and bicycles using the path on Sundays and bank

Ramblers claim they have been forced into ditches, insulted, hooted at and even attacked by motorists. But more than 400 people have objected to the traffic ban and drivers say they are obstructed by ramblers.

About 175,000 people use the Ridgeway each year. It runs from Ivinghoe Beacon in Buckinghamshire to

passing prehistoric monuments including the Uffington white horse, etched in chalk in the downs, and the Avebury stone circle, a smaller version of Stonehenge. It connects with other paths to create a walkway from the

The Ridgeway has been used for centuries by walkers and horses and carts. Rambiers have been complaining since the 1940s. when it was proposed as a formal path, about the noise of vehicles and their damage to its surface. Now the transport department has

essential traffic on the 40mile stretch from Overton to Streatley, in Berkshire.

Fay Godwin, a landscape photographer and vice-pres-ident of the Ramblers' Association, said: "Now that motor traffic has made most country roads and lanes too dangerous for walkers, it is essential that unsurfaced footpaths and green lanes be kept free of cars and

"For the Ridgeway, we would much prefer an allyear ban on unnecessary vehicles, but the 60-day order considered at the enquiry will at least be a step in the right direction."

# £100,000 of bookings 'taken in ferry fraud'

A BUSINESSMAN accepted £100,000 in bookings for a ferry service that never existed. a court was told yesterday.

Geoffrey Benstead allegedly spent thousands of pounds printing brochures and tickets for his British Iberian Line. but the firm, which advertised a multi-million-pound Poole to Bilbao service, had no financial backing, no crew, no port and no ship. Winchester Crown Court was told.

Gordon Bebb, for the prose cution, said that Mr Benstead decided in 1989 to extend his small insurance assessors company, Forward Marine Service, of Bournemouth, into

a full-scale ferry company. Mr Bebb said: "He drew up a feasibility plan for a roll-on roll-off service between Poole and Bilbao. He recruited a manager, an accountant and a sales manager, giving them the title of directors.

"He also employed a shipbroker to find a suitable ferry for charter. But his efforts to raise financial backing for the scheme failed miserably. No one would give him backing for the British Iberian Line Ltd. The Greek-owned ship. Patra Express, was to be renamed Maiden Castle, but the charter fell through when Benstead could not find financial guarantees."

Even so, the service was advertised and brochures were distributed promising stylish cruises on the alternative route to Spain, Portugal and southern France, Mr Bebb said. Bookings worth £100,000 were made by people told that the service would open in April 1990. Before then, Mr Bebb said, three directors resigned, fearing fraud, misrepresentation and lack of funds

to repay bookings.
The bubble had burst when Mr Benstead, having shored up his finances with £28,900 that he should have paid to insurance brokers, perjured himself when asked about the sum in a court, Mr Bebb said.

Mr Benstead, 53, of Meare, near Glastonbury, Somerset, denies theft, perjury and fraudulent trading. The trial continues today.

# NEWS IN BRIEF Safety on oil rigs criticised

Safety standards on North Sea oil rig helicopter decks were so bad that two had to be closed immediately when inspected by the Civil Aviation Authority, a report published yesterday says. Half the 82 decks studied

for the Health and Safety Executive earlier this year were found to have poor layouts. firefighting and maintenance records or crew training. In one incident, a crewman was badly injured when a ladder left lying on the deck hit him on the head when it was blown around by an approaching helicopter.

The executive said that vigorous enforcement action would be taken against companies that did not comply with safety regulations. A further 92 helidecks are to be inspected in the next year.

# Gunman jailed

Keith Pringle, 23, of Darlington, co. Durham, was jailed for 15 years by Teesside Crown Court after admitting false imprisonment, wounding and shotgun charges. He had held his former lover hostage and shot her mother and a friend. He was captured after being shot in the head by a police marksman.

# Dogs freed

Thieves who stole a jeep containing three dogs from a car park in West Thurrock, Essex, broke into a second car 50 miles away and put the dogs in it before escaping. The dogs were found safe and well.

# Couple gassed

Jenny Whalley, 18, and Kevin Fizzgerald. 28, died in a fumefilled car in a garage in Blythe Bridge. Staffordshire. They had left the engine running in an attempt to keep warm.

# Home protest

Peter Bottomley, Conservative MP for Eltham, southeast London, slept on the steps of Greenwich Town Hall last night to protest at the plight of the homeless.

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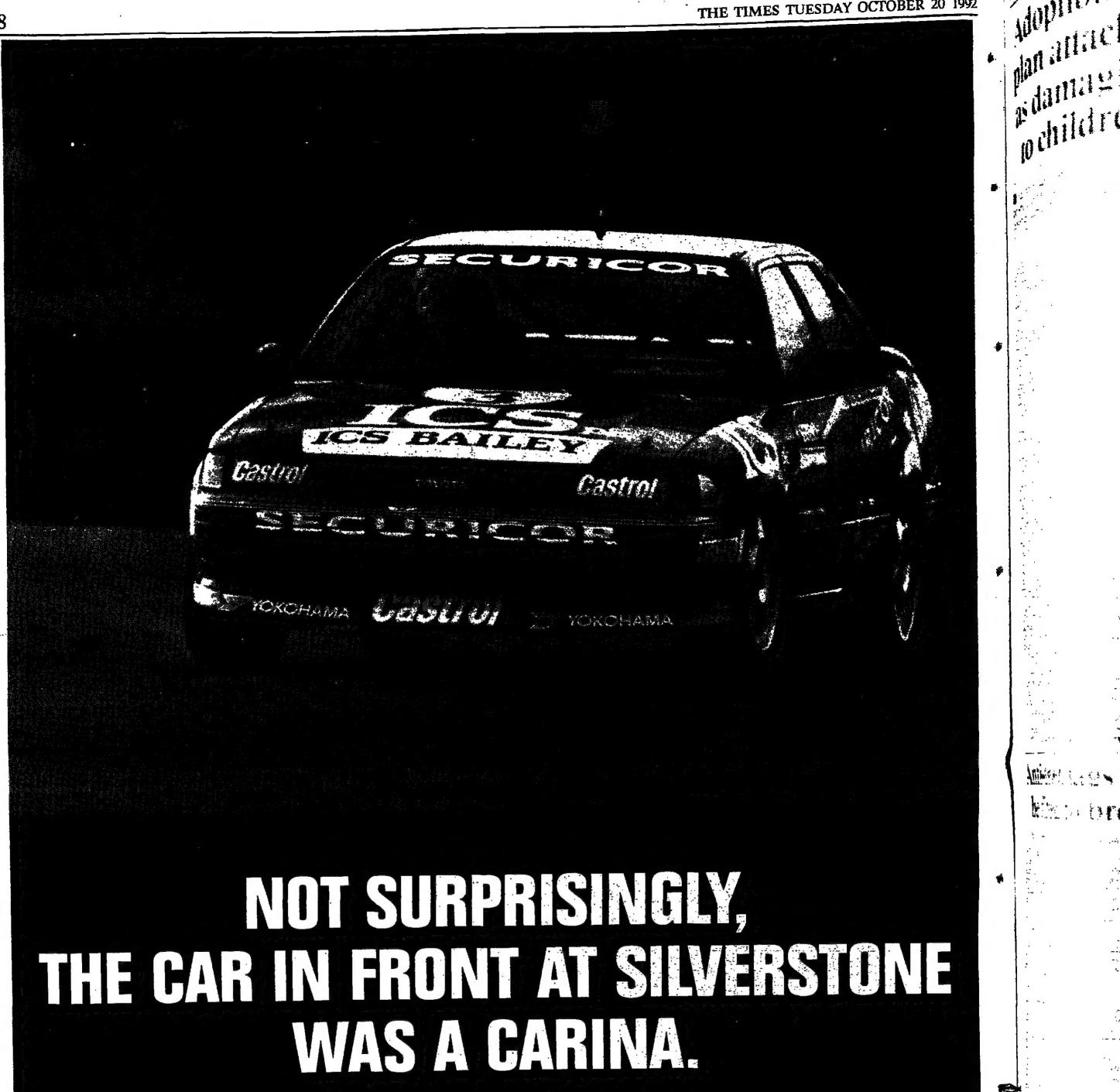
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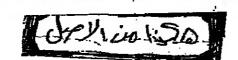
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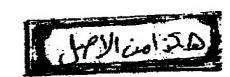
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# Adoption fee plan attacked as damaging to children

Adoption agencies fear that charging prospective parents a fee will lead to fewer children finding new families

By JEREMY LAURANCE

are introduced for domestic

adoptions there is a danger of imposing a financial limit on

the range of applicants com-

ing forward, even if there is

means testing. People don't like means testing. They are more or less implying that the supply of applicants exceeds demand, when in fact there is

a shortage of adoptive parents for older children and those with disabilities."

The review, the result of a two-year study of the adoption laws to bring them into line with the 1989 Children Art.

seeks to give children and their

natural parents greater control over the adoption process without weakening the legal bond with the new family. Children over 12 should be

given a right of veto over any prospective adoptive parents, the review says, and all adopt-

ed children should be given the opportunity to make or maintain contact with their

The review says that there are examples of "extremely

successful adoptions" by lesbians and gay men and that some children are able to settle

only in single-parent households. But in comments that

appeared to conflict with this,

Mr Yeo said that such options

ment, which ministers hope will prompt a public debate. Mr Yeo said he hoped issues

would be raised such as whether single parents and smokers should adopt and whether there should be an

upper age limit for adopters.
The consultation period will last until the end of the year.

should be a last resort.

Altogether 45 recommendations are made in the docu-

natural families.

COUPLES seeking to adopt children could face bills of more than £2,000 under government proposals that have alarmed adoption agencies.

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The charges would be made to cover costs such as assessing applicants to ensure they can provide a suitable home for the child. The procedure can take weeks of interviews and enquiries. Adoption agencies fear that charges could deter adoptive parents and narrow the options for children who need a family.

need a family.

Launching the first review of the adoption law for 20 years, Tim Yeo, junior health minister, said yesterday that its underlying principle was putting the needs of the child first. "The purpose of adoption is to provide children with families, not families with children," he said.

But the British Agencies for Adoption and Fostering gave a warning that the introduction of charges risked turning that principle on its head. Deborah Cullen, the organisation's legal adviser, said: "As soon as you get adopters paying, it suggests you are providing a service for them."

The review recommends that the law be changed to allow local authorities and adoption agencies to "charge for some services according to means". At present no charge is made for domestic adoptions, although the law does not forbid it and some voluntary agencies request a donation. Local authorities and voluntary agencies do charge for assessing applicants who seek to adopt children from abroad

Ms Cullen said If charges

Britain and Australia poles apart on huskies

> BY NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN has been accused of endangering a 39-nation treaty aimed at preserving. Antarctica because it refuses to pull out two teams of husky dogs that live there.

The international protocol,

signed in Madrid last year, is due to be ratified in 1994. Most of it concerns a 50-year ban on mining, and regulation of marine pollution, but it also aims to preserve the continent's flora and fauna. Huskies, the dogs that since 1945 have become the

since 1945 have become the companion and helpmate of British polar explorers and scientists, have been accused of growling at baby seals and penguins.

The Australian and Argentinian governments have announced that they will pull out their dogs and dispatch them to the snow-clad forests of Minnesota in America by the 1994 deadline. Britain, the only other nation with husky teams, argues that it would be cruel to shoot or remove its 20 remaining



Hounded out? Britain is under pressure to pull its huskies out of Antarctica to save an international treaty

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dogs from the area. Julian Paren, a spokesman for the British Antarctic Survey in Cambridge, which advises the government on Antarctic

policy, said that most of Britain's huskies were descended from about 65 dogs brought from Labrador. "The dogs have known noth-

ing else other than the Antarctic. It is their home and that is where we would like them to stay." But Ros Kelly, Australia's environment minister, said yesterday that Britain's stand endangered the whole agreement.

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# Duke wants the public heard on BBC future

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE Duke of Kent last night urged the BBC's governors and management not to take any "pre-emptive decisions" about its future without listen-

ing licence payers' wishes.

In an oblique reference to the dispute over plans to replace Radio 4 on long wave with a 24-hour radio news network, the duke said: "Preemptive decisions, in radio or in television. cannot be the right way to determine the future of one of the nation's most important cultural assets."

Speaking at the opening of the Royal Television Society's annual symposium in London, the duke said that it was "absolutely vital . . . that the public, who pay for its services, should be able to play an integral part in the decision-making process".

making process".

The duke said: "The corporation, too, in view of its unique position [as a public service broadcaster unconstrained by the need to make profits for shareholders and free of direct commercial pressure], has a special responsibility to share its vision of the future with its paying public."

# Anti-theft tags may be fitted to bread

BY NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

BREAD, margarine, jam and other staples could soon be electronically tagged in an attempt to fight a new wave of shoplifting caused by the recession.

recession.

Companies and government-backed researchers have joined forces to develop a universal security tag that is thin and slim enough to fix to bottles, electrical goods and cartons rather like the bar code labels that are used to price goods.

Unlike conventional tagging systems, which involve bulky devices that are fitted by shop staff to clothes, the new tag will be attached or embedded in goods by manufacturers and food firms before products reach the shops.

The scheme is being coordinated by the Centre for the Exploitation of Science and Technology (Cest) in London, an organisation funded by government departments including the trade and industry department and the Cabinet Office, as well as more than 30

industrial companies.

Martin Swerdlow, the programme director of Cest who is responsible for the scheme, said yesterday that although retailers had earmarked the tags for spirits, cosmetics and

cigarettes, it was likely that even quite cheap items such as bread; margarine and jam would also be protected.

"The profile of theft has recently changed... this has not been helped by the recession," he said.

Shops installing the security technology will activate the tags when the goods arrive and they will be deactivated at the checkouts.

The scheme was developed by firms including the Cooperative Wholesale Society and Thorn-EMI and is to be 
tried out at a Co-op store in 
Slough. Some clues on how it 
may operate come from a pilor 
scheme in France, where protit margins are much tighter 
than in Britain and shoplifting represents an even more 
serious problem.

There, stores attached the security labels both openly or covertly, for example under labels, on a random selection.

Panels, able to scan for the labels, were sited at the end of check-out counters. Because customers have been known to try leaving shops with things hidden in their hats, a second surveillance system could be installed that detected shoplifted goods at head height.

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is no podge.
But his reputation must hinge on what he does to that

George Bush said 'Shush! We're sure to fail if you mention Dan

# Protesters fail to block bail hostel

PLANS to open Britain's biggest bail hostel in a green-belt village are to go ahead in spite of protests from residents who fear that alleged offenders will spark trouble there.

Conversion of a former children's home at Bramley, near Guildford, Surrey, into a hostel for 45 alleged offenders is expected to start soon, with the first immates arriving next spring. Yesterday. Surrey's

which has also caused doubts among probation officers outside the county.

Michael Varah, Surrey's chief probation officer, said:

The conversion will go ahead. A contractor has been identified. The committee was brought up to date with

the concerns of local people about the proposal."

probation committee was told

of opposition to the plan.

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# Family wins battle against Bupa over £11,000 hospital bill

Patients with private health-care policies risk facing large hospital bills as recession-hit insurers reject claims

By Jeremy Laurance, health services correspondent

TWO sisters have won a 16- £11,806. She had been a month battle with the private health insurer Bupa over the company's refusal to pay an £11,000 hospital bill for the care of their mother. The case highlights the difficulties that subscribers face in ensuring that they are covered against large medical bills.

Joan Lyall, 83, spent six weeks in the private Lindo wing of St Mary's Hospital. Paddington, west London. after a stroke in December 1990. The bill for accommodation, consultant's fee and physiotherapy came to member of Bupa for many years, paying what was then the top annual London rate of more than £1,000, but the company rejected her claim.

After months of legal wrangling, Mrs Lyall's daughters, Joanna Lyall and Julia Burton, took the case to the Personal Insurance Arbitration Service. which ruled that Bupa should pay the bill.

Doctors and hospital managers say that Bupa's initial refusal to pay, in spite of providing what the family

# Consultant's letter failed to settle claim

JOAN Lyall was admitted first to the NHS part of St Mary's Hospital because no bed was available in the private wing. She asked to be moved after six weeks (Jeremy Laurance writes).

Her daughters contacted the local Bupa office by telephone and were told that their mother would be covered for up to three months provided they supplied a letter from her consultant confirming that she was having "active medical treatment". The consultant sent the letter within days.

When the £11.000 claim was submitted three months later, Bupa said Mrs Lyall had received only nursing care. despite the consultant's evidence. It said it could give only general advice by phone and needed a medical report before making a decision.

When the case went before the Personal Insurance Arbitration Service, the arbitrator accused Bupa of trying to substitute its own clinical judgment for that of the consultant. He ruled that Bupa should pay the bill on this ground although he held



Lyall: paid £1,000 a year for health insurance

bound by the telephone conversation, which amounted only to a reiteration of its conditions regarding claims. Joanna Lyall said: "It's very unsatisfactory that you can't be given clear guidance as to

whether you are covered or

not at the time you need to Bupa said the purpose of medical insurance was to provide treatment on a shortbasis. Subscribers should continue to telephone for advice but in some cases a medical report would be

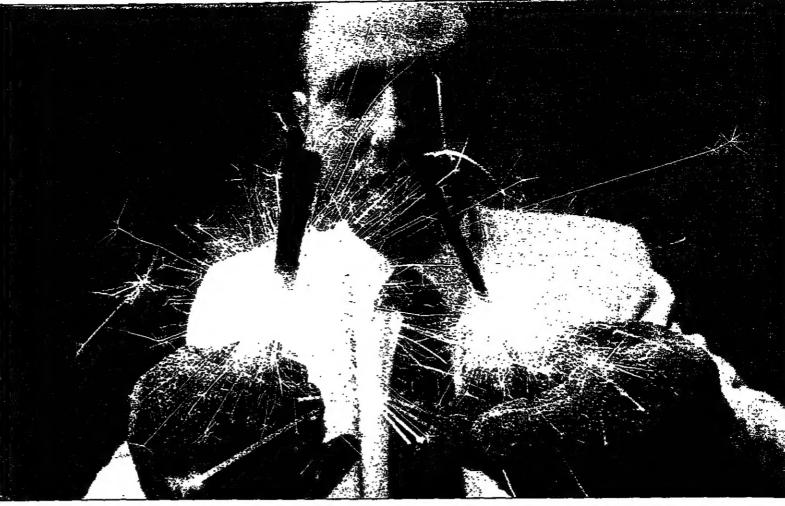
that her bill would be covered demonstrates the risk that subscribers run. They say that disputes over bills are becoming more common as all health insurance companies seek to control rising costs. Like other companies, Bupa has had a sharp increase in claims in recent years and made a £63 million loss on its insurance business in 1990.

lan Robenson, business manager of the Lindo wing at St Mary's Hospital, said the companies were tightening up. "Patients may not realise what they are coming in for, or what caused it, and couldn't know it was in an exclusion clause," he said. "Not every patient gets the whole of their bill settled and it is often not easy to find the reason for the shortfall. The patient certainly doesn't understand it."

In August a Which? magazine survey of 660 patients who had made health insurance claims found that one in seven had to pay part of the cost. In one case a patient from Norfolk who had his prostate gland removed developed complications during surgery and needed 12 pints of blood. Bupa agreed to pay the cost of the operation but not the extra cost of dealing with the com-plications, which amounted to £2.000. until the parient's own GP. Dr lan Nisbet,

Or Nisbet said: "It's totally immoral for a person who goes into hospital for an operation for which he is covered and from which he nearly dies to come out to a bill of £2,000. How is he to know that while under the anaestheric he is going to bleed like

Jan Lawson, of the brokers Private Health Parmership. said that companies were also tightening up on cases where an acute condition that is covered becomes a chronic one that is not. "That is probably the biggest single area where we are seeing a narrowing of



Safe pair of hands: Mike Brunt, of the Association of London Authorities, demonstrating the safe way to handle sparklers. The association said yesterday that injuries from sparklers had risen on Guy Fawkes' night and Hallowe'en last year and issued a series of safety guidelines (Julia

Llewellyn Smith writes). It recommended that handlers should always wear gloves, that used

sparklers should be put in a bucket of water, that children should always be supervised when using sparklers and that parents should never hold babies while also holding sparklers. The association also reminded traders that it was illegal to sell fireworks to children under 16. an offence that carries a maximum fine of £5,000.

Sparkler injuries rose from 93 to 101 last year compared with 1990. al-

though firework injuries dropped from 805 to 723.

The association's warnings came on the first day of National Fire Safety Week, marked with the release in London of 850 red balloons: one for each of the people killed in 63.166 house fires last year. A further 14.000 were injured. Commercial fires cost businesses more than £75,000.

that the greatest risks were smoking especially in bed: and cooking acci-dents, especially with chip pans and faulty electrical appliances. Stewart Kidd, its director, said: "The majority of fires start simply through carelessness. During the week, we will aim to make as many people as possible aware of what they can do to prevent a fire or at least stop it resulting in a

**Fischer** 

closes on

£2 million

BY RAYMOND KEENE

CHESS CORRESPONDENT

BOBBY Fischer held his lead

over Boris Spassky with a

draw on Sunday night in the

twenty-second game of their match in Belgrade. Fischer

has eight wins to Spassky's

# Legal aid franchising to start next year

PROPOSALS for a radical shake-up of the legal aid scheme in which lawyers will be granted contracts to undertake legal aid work are published today.

The proposals, unveiled by the Legal Aid Board, envisage the biggest changes for legal aid and its 3,000 core practitioners since the scheme was introduced in 1949, bringing in elements of a free-market economy akin to the reforms in the health service.

They are certain to lead to a new dispute between the profession and the Lord Chancellor's Department, which backs

The Law Society withheld support for the proposals yesterday because, it said, it had not seen the details. It added that its support would not be forthcoming unless certain conditions were agreed, including the freedom of clients to instruct non-franchised firms. It also wanted higher

pay for higher-quality work.
Under the proposals legal
aid firms will be granted contracts, or "franchises", by the Legal Aid Board to carry out legal aid work with the benefit of greater control over their own budgets, the freedom to work without the need to have every legal aid certificate approved, and swifter

payment.

will be granted only where firms can meet specified quality criteria that have been developed through pilot projects in Birmingham.

Controversially the quality controls extend not only to case files as seen by legal aid area offices, but also to efficient working practices within lawyers' offices, and the han-dling of individual cases in

John Pitts, chairman of the Legal Aid Board, said: "This is a major oppportunity and a challenge both for the board and the legal profession."

The scheme was essential, he said, in the light of pres-sures on legal aid spending. "We must be able to demontrate that quality is being

maintained so that taxpayers can be assured they are getting value for money."

The board intended to in-

troduce a scheme that would assist the public in choosing a solicitor who had demonstrated competence in particular areas of legal work, he said. It would need to be implemented "in a way that ensures we are being fair to both the public and to the legal

The board wants to have all arrangements in place to en-able it to sift applications for franchises from July 1, 1993. It hopes the first contracts will be signed by the end of next

exclude at least eight of his

examination candidates. "It

seems quite ludicrous." he

said. "An age cohort is very

strict and makes no allowance

for those children in any year-

group who are younger or have been held back by ill-

ness." Ian Small, headmaster

of Bootham School, York, said

that the new system was mis-

leading and failed to acknowl-

edge the achievements of

The opposition of blue-chip

schools to the system adopted

for the first series of league.

tables, which were originally

to be drawn up by local authorities, will increase pres-

sure on Mr Patten to reconsid-

er their format. The education

department said yesterday

that schools had been given a

chance to air criticisms earlier

this year. "This is the first year

that we've done the exercise

and we had to draw the par-

ameters somewhere," it said.

The Secondary Heads' As-

sociation has objected to the composition of the tables because they fail to acknowl-

edge vocational examinations.

Although ministers have de-

manded parity of esteem be-

tween academic and vocat-ional qualifications, this year's

tables will include only GCSE

masses of youngsters".

### four and needs two more for match victory and the \$3.65 million (£2.19 million) prize: Fischer, defending with the

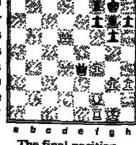
black vieces in what has now become the customary Sicilian Defence thwarted all Spass sky's efforts to achieve an advantage and liquidated to a drawn position after 26 moves, where all the pieces were restricted to one side of the board.

Spassky repeated the open-ing that had garnered him such a brilliant and overwhelming victory in game 20. However, Fischer considerably refined his defensive options, and when Spassky broke in the centre on move 12 Fischer was ready with a planned counter-attack on the queen's flank.

Although after 18 moves Fischer's position appeared somewhat restricted, a knight move at that stage eliminated white's advantage and a neat queen tactic on the twenty-first set the seal on the draw.

The next game is tomorrow night





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# Private schools say exam list will exclude their best pupils

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT tress of St Felix School, South-

wold, Suffolk, said that 60 per

cent of the school's grade-A

passes at A level would not be

shown in the government

tables. "Am I now to decide

examination entry dates for

my pupils not according to

ability and standard of attain-

ment, but according to age?"

she said. "How bored the

bright will become as they

mark time. What is to become

of the Ruth Lawrences of the

Robin Wilson, headmaster

PRIVATE school heads have protested to John Patten, the education secretary, that next month's offical league tables of examination results will disadvantage schools whose brighter pupils are pushed ahead of their age group. Tables of results from more

than 4,000 state and independent schools will be published by the education department under the parents' charter, but will include only 15-year-olds grades at GCSE and only 17year-olds' A-level grades. The Headmasters' Conference (HMC), which represents 233 leading fee-paying schools, claims that the tables will give parents a distorted view of a school's performance by excluding pupils who do not fall

in the correct "age cohort". Vivian Anthony, HMC sec-retary, said that the draft version of the tables sent out by officials omitted up to 30 per cent of pupils at some schools. We looked at this with other school associations and said it wouldn't work, but the department went ahead and did their own print-out," he said. "The object of the operation is to give people an idea of how schools perform, but large numbers of pupils are left

Susan Campion, headmis-

of Trinity School, Croydon. said that the tables would

Patten: facing demands to

# Japanese pine for the valleys of Wales

By TIM JONES

WHEN the Hiraeth, or great longing, becomes too much to bear alone, businessmen in Tokyo or Kyoto can now meet to reminisce about the green, green grass of the land they call Ueruzu. Since the first Japanese company set up a plant in Wales more than 20 years ago. hundreds of the managers and their families who

moved into the principality to establish factories have developed an affinity with its lifestyle and culture. Now, after returning

home, they can meet in two Hiraeth clubs to talk about the days of rugby, choirs and

layer bread. The clubs, where the evocative words of Myfanwy will be heard in-stead of karaoke singing. were established earlier this month by David Hunt, the Welsh secretary, and Hiro Nakamura, a former managing director at the Sony

factory in Bridgend, which employs 2,600 people. They demonstrate a remarkable bond between the world's greatest economic power and the principality that has seen thousands of jobs lost through the closure f pits and the restructuring

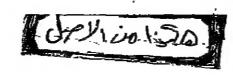
of the steel industry.
There are now 43 Japanese companies in Wales employing more than 13,000 people. At first, they merely screwdriver plants where products were assembled. Since then, factories such as Sony have become world leaders and lapanese workers travel to Bridgend to be trained.

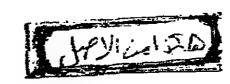
Japanese workers and managers are forbidden by their executives from establishing ghettos in Wales and must five in the community. Their children go to local comprehensive schools and play rugby and soccer with classmates whose parents

work on the shop floor. They are, however, aware of the threat to their own cultural heritage that isola-tion from their homeland can bring and have formed a club in Cardiff and a Saturday school for their children. Occasionally, over sushi and rice wine, they are enter-tained by a traditional Japanese storyteller.

John Bevan, of Sony, said: There are now hundreds of Japanese businessmen who regard Wates as their second home. They taught us a lot but in return they gained enormously from their involvement with Wales."

In return, the people of the valleys that have been rav-aged by the destruction of the old heavy industries hope they will always be able to offer a welcome in the





# Democrats poised to consolidate power in Senate and Congress

# Republicans jump ship as leader sinks fast

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

AS RESIDENT Bush entered last night's third and final residential debate, the most ralistic question was not whethir he could still turn the electio round but whether he could sevent a collapse in the Republican vote on November 3 that would undermine the party's andidates right down The Bush camp continued

to insit victory was possible.

Soone or later, before people actually vote, this will shift from bing a referendum on the times to a choice of two people ou want to see in the Oval Dice," said Robert Teeter, the campaign manager.
Aides claimed their polls
showelthe gap had narrowed to less than ten points, but public surveys suggested

A C:S News poll yesterday gave fill Clinton a 17-point lead aid the CNN-USA Today daly tracking poli showed



a 12-pint gap. The most that Mr Beh appeared to have achieved in the first two debates was a slight increase in Mr Clitton's negative ratings, but win a corresponding rise

Signs of the Republican

campain's disintegration were planiful. Across America. congresional and senate candidates vere distancing themselves frim Mr Bush. At least 12 newspapers around the country-indorsed Mr Clinton over the weekend, with just four detaring for Mr Bush. Susai Schneider, of the Washirgton-based headhunters Fin and Schneider, said. the pos had "opened up the floodgaes" of Bush administration officials looking for new jos, and the media is increasingly turning its attention to Mr Clinton's likely appointes. Nobody bothers to ask win would replace James Baker's Secretary of State in a

secondBush administration. Mr Clinton has begun to caution against complacency. and subtly manoeuvring to lowerexpectations for his first term. He now punctuates his comments with warnings that it is tot going to be easy" and that we did not get into this mess overnight, and we are not going to get out of it

Mr Bush, his self-confidence shaken, had a tough hand to play last night. Re-publicans around the country had urged a final no-holdsbarred attack on Mr Clinton. However, the danger of that approach for Mr Bush was that he would appear desper-ate and unpresidential. Mr Clinton also sought to

Immunise himself against such an assault. Mr Bush "can't run on his record or his own programme for the future, so all he can do is tear me down. he said. Bush aides promised a more

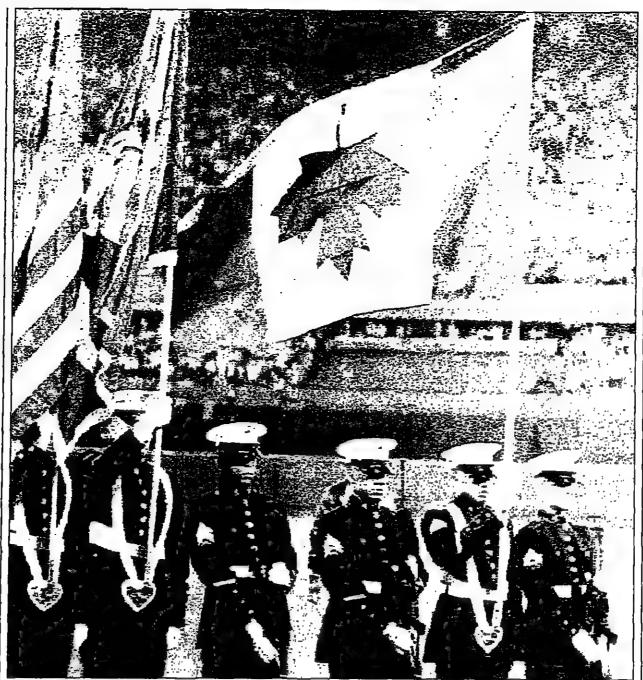
aggressive performance than last week's. The CBS poll showed 56 per cent had doubts about Mr Clinton's trustworthiness, and Mr Bush was expected to focus on the risks of sending to the Oval Office someone with Mr Clinton's flaws and "tax-and-spend" proclivities. Mr Clinton's much simpler task was to concentrate on America's economic problems, avoid gaffes and seek to reassure independents and potential Republican defectors.

For half the 90-minute debate a panel of journalists asked questions, and the sec-ond half was reserved for open discussion between the candi-dates themselves. Ross Perot. the third candidate again had the potential to help Mr Clinton by attacking the Republicans' 12-year economic

Nearly 6,500 Republican senate, congressional, guber-natorial and state legislative candidates will share the November 3 ballot with Mr Bush, and the party is worried they, too, will be dragged down by Eighteen months ago the Republicans had hopes of retaking the Senate and making ping House gains thanks to favourable boundary changes. The Democrats are now expected to win at least three new Senate seats. enough to curtail Republican filibusters, and virtually maintain the House status quo.

endorsed Mr Clinton includ-Portland's Oregonian. which has not supported a Democrat in 142 years, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in the president's adopted state of Texas, the New Haven Register in his boyhood home of Connecticut. However, the Chicago Tribune backed Mr Bush. The editorials variously called Mr Bush a "massive disappointment", condemned his "lacklustre inattention to domestic problems" and accused him of lacking "any central guiding principle".

The dozen newspapers that



Maple leaf rag: a Canadian flag flies upside down at baseball's World Series where the Toronto Blue Jays take on Atlanta. Network coverage clashed with the final televised presidential debate. Series level, page 36

# Bush bypassed on economic front

AMERICA'S economy is turning out to be the most pressing issue of the presidential election, perhaps the deci-sive issue which will deny George Bush a second term.

The Clinton camp realised this six months ago: the Bush camp, it seems, did not, They were preoccupied with allegations against Bill Clinton of marital infidelity, and with Patrick Buchánan's ássaults on Mr Bush from the Republican right wing. But the New Hampshire primary in February saw a "call to economic arms" by Paul Tsongas, then a leading contender for the Democratic nomination, and Mr Clinton took the hint, producing a detailed econom-

ic manifesto

The White House continued to look the other way. After New Hampshire, the Bush campaign came up with the slogan "Message: I care", apparently believing that was all Mr Bush needed to say to answer voters' economic fears. Only last month did Mr Bush present a detailed second-term economic agenda, by which time Ross Perot, the independent candidate, had already produced a paperback detailing his harsh medicine for

The Bush camp's preoccupation with allegations about Bill Clinton may cost the president the White House, Jamie Dettmer says in his Washington commentary

reducing the \$4 trillion federal

enda has cost the president dear. The 1992 campaign is not another contest between free-marketeers and big-gov-ernment advocates. If Mr Clinton is elected, his administration will be one of the most right-wing Democratic government America has seen

President Bush has sought in the heat of battle to caricature Mr Clinton's economic approach, accusing the Democrat of being an old-fashioned. George McGovern-type "taxand-spend liberal". Mr Clinton has reciprocated, linking the Bush approach to "Rea-ganomics" and dismissing it "trickle-down economics". On the campaign trail, Mr Bush accuses the Arkansas governor of favouring European-style "social engineering", with the Democrat

As a piece of political wis-

responding by painting the president as an ogre who would demolish social security and take away health care benefits from the elderly.

The caricatures miss the

point Although Mr Clinton

believes in an increased role radical McGovernite. Equally. although President Bush is a hands-off-the-economy man. it is wrong to claim he wants to do away with well-established welfare programmes. Mr Bush has also not followed in the supply-side footsteps of his Republican predecessor. The president has in fact not really had a coherent economic philosophy for the past four years. He has had within his administration two opposed groups, one emphasising deficit-re-duction, led by Richard Darman, the budget director, and the other arguing for tax

housing secretary. The president has failed to come down clearly on one side or the other. Mr Clinton for his part has distanced himself from old-style Democrats who want to see the introduction of huge government, welfare, and works programmes financed by tax increases on the wealthy and the middle classes. Although Mr Clinton's plans envisage a \$150 billion-package of public works and job

ment, led by Jack Kemp, the

training schemes, he insists he would only raise the top rate of tax from 31 per cent to 36 per cent on the wealthiest of Americans, those earning more than \$200,000. Whatever happens on polling day. America will still have an administration that believes that government has a large, strategic role to play in

industrial policy and the economy. There has been a tilt among American economists towards the idea of greater government intervention. The long recession, the in-

crease in global competition, the 1980s-inspired debt crisis and the rising costs of welfare and health programmes have all led to a rethinking on both

# ANC report highlights its own brutality

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN

DETAILS of the "staggering brutality" with which the African National Congress treated its prisoners when in exile were published yesterday by the ANC itself.

A catalogue of inhumanity. degradation and death inflicted by the liberation movement on those it suspected of betray-al, or even of speaking out against the ANC's security apparatus, is contained in the report of a commission of enquiry set up by the ANC to examine allegations made by former detainees who have now returned to South Africa.

The commission consisted of two ANC members and an independent lawyer. Its report highlights a detention camp in Angola called Quatro. which "was not inappropriately described by one witness as a concentration camp", where inmates were daily subjected to violence for the sake of violence.

Several forms of assault and punishments meted out to prisoners are described in the report. There was "pompa". where the victim was made to puff out his cheeks while being repeatedly slapped in the face.
The effect was to create unbearable pressure on the eardrums and excruciating

Another practice was the "gas mask". in which a papaya shell was pushed into a detainee's face until he could no longer breathe. The com-mission was told of the "slaughter" when a detainee would be thrown into a pit four yards deep and with a trench six feet above the bottom which was the only way out. The prisoner would be ordered to try to jump up to the trench while warders threw heaps of soil on him from above.

Prisoners were held without trial in many cases for periods up to seven years, and some were confined to their cells for inordinately long periods. One torture victim confessed to killing a number of people who were still alive, and another, through a confusion of code-names, admitted killing himself.

of the ANC, told a crowded press conference yesterday that his organisation took 'collective responsibility' for the many abuses catalogued in the report. "We believe that the morality of our liberation struggle demanded and still demands of us the highest moral and ethical standards," he said.

He said that before taking any action against individuals named by the commission though no names were given n the published report), the ANC would set up a fullyindependent enquiry.

# NEWS IN BRIEF Pentagon announces

F15 talks

London: The United States has begun negotiations for the sale of 72 F15 fighter aircraft to Saudi Arabia, the Pentagon said yesterday. British sources insisted the deal did not undermine Britain's hopes of selling 48 Tornados to the Saudi air force.

The go ahead for the F15 sale came after Congress raised no objections, Previous attempts to sell American jets to the Saudis had been blocked after pressure from the strong pro-Israeli lobby. British officials said they hoped that Riyadh Saudis would still buy Tornados, as part of the so-called Al Yamamah 2 agreement that could be worth more than £20

In another development. Indonesia announced it is to buy 24 Hawk training aircraft worth about \$500 million from Britain, A British embas sy spokesman in Jakarta said the contract would be signed early next year. The Indone-sians had originally planned to buy 40 Hawks but a lack of

### Troops cleared

Mogadisht: Clan elders and political leaders in the former British protectorate of Somaliland have agreed to the de-ployment of 750 armed United Nations soldiers to protect humanitarian efforts in the north of the country.

### Protests foiled

Amritsar: Police continued to guard the Golden Temple as part of a security operation to foil planned protests over the hanging 11 days ago of two Sikh terrorists. Amritsar was said to be returning to normal after a huge securoty operation at the weekend.

### Ordered out

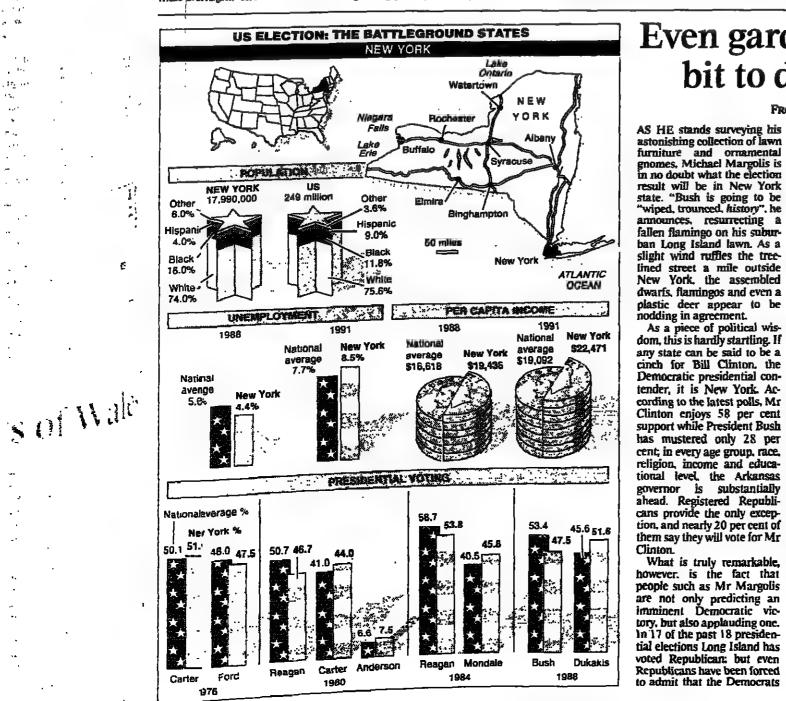
Moscow: Kazakhstan has ordered the expulsion of Chechens from a northeastern city, according to Russian television, in the first such official deportation since Stalin's days. The order follows fight ing in which four Kazakhs died. (Reuter)

# Brothel count

Tokyo: The Japanese army op-erated 121 brothels on Okinawa during the second world war, not nine as recent official reports show, according to a Tokyo newspaper. About 200,000 Korean and Chinese women became sex slaves.

# Fault denied

New York: The makers of the \$1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope mirror have denied a New York Times report that they hid important clues to the flaw that crippled the device. (Reuter)



# Even garden gnomes do their bit to dish the president

breaks for business invest-



Johnson: took bastions

stand their best chance of

What is truly remarkable, however, is the fact that people such as Mr Margolis are not only predicting an imminent Democratic victory, but also applauding one. In 17 of the past 18 presidential elections Long Island has voted Republican; but even face of Ronald Reagan. Republicans have been forced The change is essentially

ral" Republicans such as Mr

of Republican support

taking the former Republican strongholds of Nassau and Suffolk counties since the Lyndon Johnson victory of

Mr Clinton and Al Gore, his running-mate, are almost certain to clinch New York state's 33 electoral votes, regardless of what happens in Long Island, but the swing in such suburbs, here and elsewhere in America. may prove to be the single most important factor two weeks today.

For many like Mr Margolis, Republicanism has, until now, been an accepted part of life, as permanent and immovable as the "Dunkin' Donut" on the corner, bowling on Saturday night and church on Sunday. Mr Margolis still treasures a gnome with the

one of economics. Local building and property businesses have all but collapsed, defence cuts have devastated manufacturers and the latest estimates show that more than one in ten jobs has been lost in the New York metropolitan area in the past four years. The result has been the alienation not just of the "Reagan Democrats" but even of some hardcore "natu-

they like, and the competition

between Mr Bush and Mr

Clinton fits the pattern; many

Margolis. New Yorkers traditionally voice dislike for just about everything, even the things

> do not exactly light up at the governor's name, but they dislike Mr Bush even more. The polls suggest that they do not like Ross Perot, the independent candidate, at all. In a statewide survey conducted this week by the Gordon S. Black company, Mr Perot won support of only 7 per cent. "I don't like being lectured at," Mr Margolis

> > Even state and local Republican candidates, including Alfonse D'Amato, the incumbent senator, are distancing themselves from Mr Bush, who last campaigned here in 1986. "Their own polls show that Bush is unpopular." Steve Pigeon, suburban coordinator for the Clinton campaign, told the New York Newsday newspaper, "and



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# Serbs threaten more fighting after hitch in pull-out from Croatia

By Adam LeBor in dubrovnik and Michael Evans, depence correspondent

threatened to disrupt the otherwise smooth pull-out of the last Yugoslav troops from Croatia yesterday. Over the past week, Yugoslav soldiers have been evacuating the southern tip of Croatia, south of Dubrovnik, and were to have transferred this final strategic finger of territory to the United

Nations by today. However, Colonel Miodrag Miladinovic, who is in charge of the Yugoslav army barracks on the strategic Previaka peninsula, said yesterday that unless certain facilities, apparently not included in the pullout agreement, were put under UN control the Yugoslav army would not with-draw. Colonel Miladinovic said that, if the Croatian police tried to take certain facilities. "there will be fighting". Although the peninsula is due to be demilitarised, the Croats fear that Serb irregulars based In nearby Montenegro will move into the area and once again threaten the city.

The withdrawal of the Yugoslav forces, supervised by

Nothing is stable in Yugoslavia. with tension in Zagreb, feuding in Belgrade and food shortages in Sarajevo

UN and European Community observers, would remove the last Yugoslav army pres-ence on Croatian territory. About a third of Croatia remains under Serbian control but supervised by the UN. The agreement guarantees access to Kotor bay, home to the

Yugoslav navy.

In Bosnia, the headquarters
of the expanded UN protection force is to be based at a health centre in Kisiljak, about 18 miles west of Sarajevo, military sources said yesterday. The location was chosen by Major General Philippe Morillon, the French officer who is to command the 6.000man force.

The buildings of the medieval streets and houses of

never captured. The Yugoslav army knew that every attack on Dubrovnik was ultimately an attack on themselves, because it was an assault on the world," said Mr Sikic. "We were ready to fight for every house, for every wall; the only way they could capture Dubrovnik would be to raze the city to the ground.
That would have made them
criminals in the eyes of the world." General Morillon's chief of

with shell damage. The shells had slammed into the ancient

paving stones, punching a

hole into the ground, produc-

ing shrapnel that gouged its

way through churches and

fountains, windows and cupo-

las, cars — and people. The siege of Dubrovnik last winter, with weeks of heavy bombard-

ment, helped galvanise world opinion against Belgrade.
There was no substantial
Serb minority in the city and

little military logic behind the attack. Local officials say it will

take years to repair the dam-

age. Some treasures and

works of art were lost. No

shells have fallen on Dubrov-nik since the summer, but the

signs of war are everywhere. The hotels on the seafront are

riddled with bullet holes, and sheets of tattered plastic, where windows should be,

The siege of Dubrovník caused £2.5 billion worth of damage, say local officials, and the lives of 180 soldiers

and civilians. But the city was

flap in the sea breeze.

staff in Bosnia will be a British officer, Brigadier Roddy Cordy-Simpson, and all countries contributing to the expanded force are expected to have officers serving on General Morillon's staff. Today, at Gleneagies in Scotland, Nato defence ministers are expected to discuss the humanitarian



Liquid asset: Sarajevo citizens crowd round a pipeline to get fresh water, which is not always available

# Bread shortage adds to Sarajevo woes

FROM KURT SCHORE OF REUTER IN SARAJEVO

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41, said as he queued out-

rattled out at dawn yester-day from the direction of

Hrasno, west of the city

centre. Sarajevo radio re-ported that Serb forces were

sending troops into the west-ern suburbs of Ilidza and

Stup. But the city passed a relatively peaceful night

Sunday had left at least 17

people dead and hospitals

one person killed and several

CIVILIANS reeling from the worst fighting for ten days in Sarajevo emerged yesterday to find that bread was running out in the Bosnian capital, which is already struggling with electricity and water cuts.

Milling machinery at the city's main bakery was damaged by shells during three hours of relentless bombardment on Sunday and bakery officials said that they were also running out of flour. A lack of bread would deal a heavy blow to Sarajevo's residents. "Bread is the main food for us," Hamidja

western suburb of Cengic side the factory. Heavy machinegum fire Vila and at least one Bosnian fighter was killed and four wounded in heavy fight-

ing near Gradacac. The Belgrade-based Tanjug news agency quoted Serb army sources as saying that they were moving in on Gradacac, but gave no fur-ther details. Sefer Helilovic. the Bosnian defence commander, said the renewed fighting in Sarajevo was started by Serbs in retaliation for a breakdown in ing the bodies of those killed

The upsurge in fighting began shortly before Do-brica Cosic, the Yugoslav president, issued an urgent call for the Bosnian capital to be demilitarised as he left Belgrade for the Geneva peace conference on former Yugoslavia. Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, told the Belgrade newspaper Borba that the war in Bosnia would be over by the end of the year. But Alija Izetbegovic, the president of Bosnia, who was due to meet Mr Cosic in Geneva yesterday, said he was not optimistic

Mr Dang's Sands sprop.

# Police seize federal ministryin **Belgrace**

FROM TIM JUDAI AND DESSA TREVIAN IN BELGRADE

ANOTHER blow in he Belgrade power strugie was struck resperday as Serbian police seried commo of the Yugoslav federal interior ministry.

The Serbian authorities claimed that the takever was nothing more than the resolution of an outstanding "propton of an oursanding property dispute", but Linbis-Rakie, a senior alviser to Milan Panie, prime minister of the rump Yugoslvia, said: "This could be a povocation by forces in Yugoslvia which do not like the canocratic developments in outcountry." On Sunday nightMr Panic

cut short a stay is Geneva where he was dut to have participated in Yugglav peace talks with Alija Istbegovic, the Bosnian president, and Dobnica Cosic, his Yugoslav counterpart, wid met

Yesterday morningSerbian police stood guard outside the federal interior minimy pre-venting federal pole and even Payle Bulatovicithe federal minister of interor, from entering the building

Negotiations between the Serb and federal athorities were taking place esterday afternoon, and on source close to Mr Panic aaracter-ised the affair as "tile boys playing games". Dolomatic sources and unconfirmed reports said a detachment of Serbian special uni police, accompanied by pole from the Serbian enclave ol Krajina in Croatia, had taken the building overnight. The 2,000 Yugoslav federal plicemen are heavily ournamered by 40,000 republican plice.

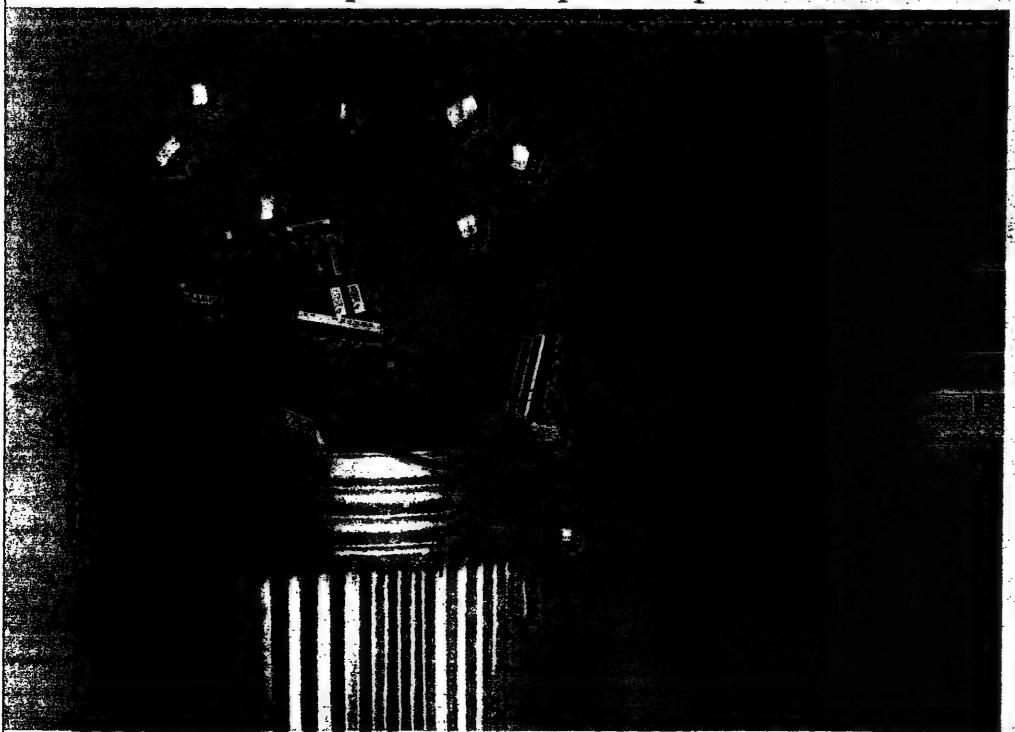
The seizure of thebuilding by the police seems to be a deliberate show of free. The government of dobodan Milosevic, the Serbin president, is now in ope conflict with that of Mr Pam and Mr

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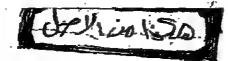
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# Omens bad as Patten brings colony plans to Peking

Chris Patten's ideas for reform in Hong Kong have already been attacked by China, and he is unlikely to find that the recent politburo shake-up has softened their mood

Y DAVID WATTS, DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT AND CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

CHRIS Patten, the governor of Hong Kong, will arrive in Pekirlg this evening for a series of tough meetings with the Chinese leadership about the plans he laid out for the colony in his keystone speech eartier this month.

His visit is likely to set the tone of the relationship with the Peking authorities, which will be central to a successful handover of the colony in 1997. The Chinese authorities will, for the first time, be meeting a governor who is not a mandarin who considers himself well versed in the ways of Peking; they know that he is a root-and-branch politician who has the full backing of the British prime minister and who has produced proposals that fall within the parameters of the joint agreement.

Mr Patten's first visit to

Peking follows a rare appearance by Deng Xiaoping, China's reclusive senior leader, to the congress of the Chinese Communist Party, and a per-iod of great upheaval among the country's leaders. Mr Deng appeared just after delegates had endorsed his vision of capitalist-style economic reform, albeit in diluted form. But the omens for talks about Mr Patten's programme of change for Hong Kong are

The agenda will be open and the vexed question of the new airport will be discussed. British proposals to sell some land to pay for some of the project have been rejected by the Chinese and the government is waiting for their

also criticised Mr Patten's plans for giving the people of Hong Kong a greater say in the running of their affairs. He wants to separate the Executive Council from the Legislative Council and to create a new Executive Coun-. cll, consisting of business and civic leaders. He plans a legislative committees to vet government business and a monthly governor's question time. He also wants a review of the laws on freedom of information and the press. Mr Patten will lower the voting age to 18 and establish singleseat, single-vote constituencies

for the 1995 elections. All these measures chall-

enge China's public positions on Hong Kong and the do-mestic policies that have just been approved by the Chinese congress, which dearly separate economic and political progress. No senior Chinese politician has commented on his plans, but an article in rday's Outlook Weekly said that Mr Patter's proposals "damage Hong Kong's social stability, constitute an obstacle to the smooth transition and represent a funda-mental violation of the Sino-British joint declaration."

The appearance of Mr Deng, 88, at the Great Hall of the People provoked excited applause and shouts of welcome from the delegates. Mr Deng, wearing a grey Mao suit, his eyes staring, walked and waved woodenly, while his daughter, Deng Nan, lent

him support.
Like all his appearances: this one came just as specula-tion was growing that he was III, or even that he had died No foreign journalists wit-nessed his visit, but the event was shown on television news.

There is believed to have been a fierce struggle between hardliners and reformists in the run-up to this congress, but Mr Deng's appearance presented an image of unity. He criticised the way in which Jiang Zemin, the hardline party leader, handled the economy earlier this year, but Mr Jiang was shown clasping Mr Deng's hands tightly. Neither man's remarks were audible, but Xinhus, the offdal news agency, said that Mr. Jiang told Mr. Deng his was "a great encouragement to them, pushing their enthu-

siasm to a new height". Xinhua described Mr Deng as being "in high spirits and good health". The agency says that Mr Deng keeps an eye on the congress by reading a dozen different newspapers every day and it quoted him as saying that the congress "Is really inspiring the people". Mr Deng is far more likely to rely on highly placed informers for his news, but someone is not telling him the truth: few Chinese watching their aged leaders would describe the congress as inspiring.

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Wave power: Deng Xiaoping, left, seen in public yesterday for the first time in eight months, and Zhu Rongji, a new member of the politburo standing committee



# New men take

# the helm

THE following are the results of the Communist party election. General Secretary: Jiang Zemin Polithuro standing committee Jiang Zemin, Li Peng Qiao Shi, Li Ruihuan, Zhu Rongji (n)\*, Liu Huaqing (n), Hu Jintao (n). Other politburo members (alphabetical order): Chen Nitong (n), Ding Guang-en (n, was alternate member), Jiang Chun-yun (n), Li Lanqing (n), Li Tieying, Qian Qichen, Tan Shaowen (n), Tian Wu Bangguo (n), Xie Fei (n), Yang Baibing (n), Zou Jiahua (n). Alternate members Wang Hanbin

(n), Wen Jiabao (n). Central committee secretariat: Hu Jintao (n), Ding Guangen, Wei Jianxing (n), Wen Jiabao (n), Ren Jianxin (n).

Central military commission: chairman, Jiane Zemin, vice-chairmen, Liu Huaqing and Zhang Zhen (n). Members: Chi Haotian, Zhang Wannian (n), Yu Yongbo (n), Fu Quanyou (n).

# Grey-suited elite march to Deng's tune

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN PERING

beaming to the rousing strains of Marching Forward Along the Route, an old Red Army song. Except for one who was in army uniform, they wore dark Western business suits.

The ten-minute cameo presented to the world's press yesterday by the all-powerful standing committee of the politburo, the Chinese Communist Party's highest deci-sion-making body, came at the end of the 14th party congress. It was an insight into a party less open than it was at its last congress five years ago.

Though the congress, the first held in China since the collarse of the Soviet bloc. endorsed a report backing the of Deng Xiaoping, the senior leader, political openness in the party of 51 million members is still anathema. The party is determined to retain its absolute grip on power into the 21st century, even as leftist diehards lose ground.

"As far as political openness is concerned, they have gone backwards," said one Western diplomat here yesterday. "But there is no doubt Deng's line to bring in a new crop of young people who back his economic reforms is working."

Only one member of the new ruling elite has been identified as a man with the kind of vision that might lead one of communism's last bas-

THEY came striding out, tions towards eventual political reform. Zhu Rongji, Mr Deng's protégé and the only member of the new 20-man polithuro who has evinced any outstanding interest in political reform, shot up from being only an alternative member of the central committee to the standing committee, the body that runs China day to day.

Mr Zhu, 64, a tall, snappy dresser who sometimes sports a leather jacket, has suffered acute embarrassment in the past from being dubbed "China's Gorbachev" in the Western press. "It's the kind of sobriquet that could be the kiss of death in a capital where Gorbachev's name is not one analyst. Maybe that is why he was the ony leader looking solemn when he met the press yesterday at the end of a congress from whose deliberations, despite China's "openness", journalists had been largely excluded.

Mr Zhu was chosen earlier this year to oversee the vital of economic reform, something he learned while setting up the multi-billion-dollar Pudong industrial project near Shanghai. He may now become China's

But he lacks the political clout to become Mr Deng's heir apparent. This may be no thing: Yu Yaobang and



Mao Tse-tung: gave his successors short shrift

Zhao Ziyang, Mr Deng's two previous chosen successors as party chiefs, fell from grace, and under Mao Tse-tung, as Deng knows to his cost, "chosen successors" had a short

Jiang Zemin, the ineffectual party general secretary, and Li Peng, the charmless and deeply unpopular hardline prime minister who is now last man in the top leadership associated with the bloody suppression of pro-democracy protests in Tiananmen Square in 1989, retained their positions on the standing committee.
They marched in as one and two in the line-up, although as one envoy noted here: "Mr Li must be feeling increasingly

While five years ago the disgraced party chief Mr Zhao

whose downfall occurred when he showed sympathy for the students in Tiananmen Square — happily fielded questions at the end of the congress, this year there was no such openness. Mr Jiang. after introducing his top team, strode out of a reception room at Peking's Great Hall of the People without responding to a single shouted query.

A military man, General
Lai Huaqing, 76, a veteran of
the Long March and confi-

dant of Mr Deng, joined the standing committee, and Qiao Shi, China's shadowy security overlord, retained his place. Diplomats interpreted this to mean the leadership was prepared for Mr Deng's inevitable passing from the scene and was preparing the ground for

It also indicated that the military's role in government is being retained in case of possible unrest following the loss of millions of public sector jobs as the free market system is introduced. A recent party report said state industries must be cut free from government management and either be profitable or die.

If there was no indication of political reform, at least the resignation from the central committee of leftist hardliners such as Li Ximing, the Peking party boss. He Jingzhe, the acting culture minister, and Gao Di, the People's Daily editor, indicated the defeat of efforts to make ideological

purity dominate the party agenda. These men were all associated with the purge of liberals after the Tiananmen Square killings, and with ignoring Mr Deng's economic

The week-long congress was in effect an affirmation of the pragmatic policies of Mr Deng, who over the past 14 years in power has reduced state control over the economy in favour of "socialism with Chinese characteristics", in other words Adam Smith's theories of free market capitalism. Although Mr Deng has no formal position -- he resigned from his main party posts at the last congress - he remains the main power-broker and policy-maker because of his immense prestige in the military and party. Mr Deng's trip to the booming economic region of southern China last January was the catalyst for the current revival of fast-track economic reforms after two years of leftist austerity.

One surprise appointment to the standing committee yesterday was that of Hu Jiantao, 49, party chief of Tibet, who oversaw harsh crackdowns on anti-Chinese, pro-independence protests in 1988 and 1989. Some of the so-called "princes" — sons of high-ranking officials — whose rise had been predicted, failed to win places on the expanded central committee, possibly because of public criticism of alleged nepotism.

# Former aide accuses ministers of trying | Mood is mutinous in Russia's to make Gorbachev into scapegoat

BY DAVID WATTS, DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

THE Russian government is trying to make a scapegoat of Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet leader, according to Aleksandr Yakoviev, once his close adviser and confidant, and the constitutional court hearings into the legality of the Communist party were intended to mark him as the principal target.

But the two men differed on whether Mr Gorbachev should appear at the hearings and Mr Yakovlev backed away from his former patron in public evidence at the hearings. "I told him I would go, but he said he could not

. . . .

take part because this trial was political one. He did not want to participate in a political trial, taking into account the old political trials of the Stalin period .... It: was a personal question and everybody should make the decision himself."

Mr Gorbachev apparently was concerned about possible examination of such incidents as the killing by Soviet forces of supporters of Lithuanian independence in Vilnius and his subsequent failure to take any action to punish those in authority in the area. Mr Yakovlev said he had heard

General Dmitri Yazov, who was then Soviet defence minister, tell Mr Gorbachev that he had given no orders to open fire in Vilnius. "Who knows who is lying?" Mr Yakoviev said. "I don't know."

Mr Yakovlev had nothing but contempt for the quality of the questions and questioners put up by the government. These leaders are not very serious. Symbolically speak-ing, I was a little offended that a party of 19 million failed to find five clever men to ask

Explaining why he had: begun to distance himself

from Mr Gorbachev last year, he said: "I left him as a protest against his personal move to the right. The men on the right were becoming stronger and stronger and their influence on him was getting

Mr Gorbachev's mistake

had been to believe that the Communist party was capable of reform, Mr Yakovlev told The Times, but he IMT Yakovlev] had wanted to see the Communist party develop as an opposition as part of a two-party system. "It would be useful for the Communist party, too, because they would have to change their policies and their leadership. But they

stronger and stronger

opposed to the high-speed reform programme, but he

has not succeeded," he added. insisting that the fundamental basis of economic reform in the former Soviet Union must be the privatisation of land: Our peasants have never been owners of land for 1,000

investment from taxes for at least five years and press for portant of all to the reform

# increasingly shabby navy

THE once mighty Soviet navy has fallen on hard times as shown by the shabby living conditions for the 340 men on board this supposedly mod-ern destroyer, one of the few Russian ships with sufficient

As American, British and French sailors were allowed to roam over its decks at will. it was evident that the obsessive secrecy of the red fleet has given way to openness and a lack of money for fuel and salaries. "The Russian sailors are all

friendly, but they have been refusing to come out to dinner ashore in Bahrain because they cannot afford it," Lieutenant Scott Sigler, from Dallas, said.

Deployed to the Gulf from Vladivostok to help to enforce sanctions against Iraq, the destroyer was unable to disguise the problems facing the smaller, leaner and increasingly ill-disciplined Russian

These have already surfaced at Severomorsk, north of the Arctic circle, where sailors have staged strikes and their wives have demonstrated against high prices for a dwindling supply of food and consumer goods.

The Northern fleet's flag-ship, the aircraft carrier Admiral Kuznetsov, is in a Severomorsk dry dock, while the second big carrier is up for sale, apparently to China or Iran: a third was scrapped before completion.

There are no Russian naval ships in the Indian Ocean or the Mediterranean. The crew of a coastguard frigate mutinied recently after her



battleship Potemkin celebrate their mutiny

years ago this year by the founder of the Imperial navy, sian officers. The ship then sailed to the Ukrainian port of Peter the Great.

But even that has yet to win acceptance among the men. "Changing the flag is humili-Despite an attempt to put on a show for the first ating for many of the men," Commander Alexander Donchenko, the spokesman for the St Petersburg naval district, told Gulf News. "Our greatest victories were won under the red banner."

Doors were slammed to prevent visitors seeing the fatty sausage for officers and red cabbage for seamen served in tatty quarters that contrasted painfully with the well-appointed conditions in Western warships

moored close by. "It is sad," a senior officer in the French anti-submarine ship Georges Leygues said. "We doubt they have the resources to run their weapNEWS IN BRIEF

# Russians extend test ban

Moscow: President Yeltsin signed a decree yesterday extending Russia's nuclear arms test moratorium until July and appealed for a permanent international test ban. The decree, prolonging a one-year freeze that expires this month, responded to similar recent moves by France and the US. two main nuclear powers,

Britain and China, the other have said they will continue tests. But the declarations by the other three countries bring a general ban - or, more likely, strict limits on tests closer than ever. (Reuter)

# Failed attack

Rome: An 11lb bomb was planted outside the offices here of Confindustria, the employers' federation. A little known group, the "Nucleus of Fighting Communists", said it placed the bomb, which failed to explode. (Reuter)

# Poison charges

Seville: Thirty-four people appeared in court here accused of poisoning more than 20,000 birds in an Andalusian national park with banned pesticides. They include two former senior officials of the Andalusian government (Reuter)

# Tongue tied

Helsinki: A Finnish market trader was fined ten days' pay for using the term "Russki" in a dispute with a Russian-born dealer. The Helsingin Sanomat newspaper said the court had taken on the hopeless job

### East 'bankrupt in five years' BY DAVID WATTS realignment of its debts when ly unsustainable and will be EAST European economies abandoned, causing major economic and political destabilisation from which eastern Europe will take

face imminent collapse unless privatisation and market reforms are rapidly speeded. according to the Adam Smith Institute. The rightwing think tank said eastern Europe's dreams of privatisation were largely a sham "unsupported by practical measures".

On present performance it would take Hungary, Poland and the Czech and Slovak republics an average of 28 years to privatise only half their state firms. In reality, most of them will be bankrupt and closed in five years because their state of health has proved to be much worse

The reform process will become politically and socialmany years to recover," wrote the authors, noting that closures would take unemploy-

ment to at least 40 per-cent. The report is critical of eastern European governments for concentrating the foreign-aid funds provided by the World Bank and others on privarising a handful of successful enterprises while ignoring the more important task of getting the bulk of ailing state firms into

private management. Meanwhile, Russia will ask the G7 group of the world's leading industrial countries for a substantial

the group meets tomorrow. Alexei Mozhin, head of Russia's department for international liaison, has said that the country cannot meet its repayment schedule for 1993-94. :--Germany, Russia's main official creditor, has adopted

fearing that a rescheduling would place further strain on Bonn's budget. The United States, however, is keen to agree a new debt package to aid the reform programme.

a tough line on repayment.

In West Germany, the government denied yester-day a report that it was secretly contemplating imposing a forced loan on taxpayers to help pay for German unification.

preferred suicide and they empelled us." He was still fundamentally

very much wanted it to succeed, saying that he would feel responsible to a certain extent if it failed: "It would be a tragedy for me, as well, if they "The Polish shock therapy

He would also free new

the establishment of Russian international exchange banks that would be able to manage the necessary international exchange transactions. Most improcess was Western investment to provide a sound basis

plained of repression by Rus-

American sailors ever given such freedom to inspect a Russian ship, the ethnic tensions on board the Admiral Vinogradov quickly surfaced A Russian lieutenant gruffly ordered away a group of shabbily dressed Muslim seamen from Tashkent before they could voice their grievances. To try to mask the ethnic divisions, sailors are now asked to swear an oath of allegiance, not to the mother-

otechestvo, the old Russian word for "fatherland". Throughout the Russian fleet, the red harmer and sickie has gone, replaced by the blue and white St An-

land as before but to the

# Whose child is it anyway?

New government proposals can prevent adoption even if the child's home country gives permission. Heather Kirby reports

a very complicated proce-dure. The idea that a America with a suitcase full of money to buy a baby is pernicious nonsense, according to Claire Anderson, of north London, who has three adopted children, two from El Salvador and one from Paraguay.

Mrs Anderson is a member of Stork, an association of parents who have completed successful inter-country adoptions, and she is angry at some of the proposals announced yesterday by Tim Yeo. under-secretary of state for health. Her concerns echo those expressed by others involved in this sensitive and difficult route to adoption. At the moment, anyone who

wants to adopt a child abroad, gets in touch with a 'Criminalising lawyer or orphanage in the country a few to find out what the couples who procedure is. They will get any nexessary documents come through and affidavits approved here by an official notary, these are forwarded immigration with a to the child's country where they are baby presented to a court which makes the is not final decision on whether to grant appropriate' permission for the adoption and for

the child to be giv-en an exit visa. Usually the adoptive parents do not have to appear in court although they may have to go to the country's embassy here and the British embassy over there.

The birth mother may also be asked to swear affidavits and the adoptive parents may have to pay fostering charges that accrue while the court case is being heard. A home study, to assess the suitability of the would-be adoptive parents, is necessary if demanded by the country from which the couple wish to adopt, most countries do ask that this should be done.

Once the government's proposals are in place, prospective parents will need to go through procedures required by their own local authorities and gain an "authorisation to proceed", before they even think of identifying a child or the country from which they want to adopt. These procedures will include a police checks.

Among the government's recommendations, the first review of the law relating to adoption for 20 years, are proposals to make it a criminal offence to bring a child to the UK without first obtaining this authorisation. This, according to the review, will be issued by the health denartment but it will be up to individual local authorities to provide the back-up services. "Services" can mean obtaining anything up to 22 documents depending on what the foreign government requires in addition to the procedure automatically required for authorisation from the

dopting a child abroad is health department. These requirements might include providing fingerprints, copies of marriage or birth certificates and references from banks and employers.

Local authorities either carry out the home visits themselves or contract them out to an indepen-dent social worker. Either way the cost to adoptive parents of the home assessment could be as much as E3,800, according to Barbara Mostyn, the chairman of the Campaign for Inter Country Adoption, which was launched two years ago. Last year charges involving Roma-nian adoptions ranged from £200 to £2,000 for home studies. "Home visits usually last one hour and can be conducted over a period of between six and 18 months. One of

the recommendations in the report is that prospective adoptors should receive counselling about adopting from abroad which we consider is a very basic issue, the problem is that not many social work-ers will be qualified to give it."
What Mrs An-

derson and the others are afraid of is that local authorities will daim that. unless they receive extra funding, they will not be able to cope with the new

work in addition to that which they are presently required to undertake connected with the Children Act. Requests therefore will take so long to process that people will become

disheartened and give up.
Mrs Anderson says: "Local authorities can be very obstructive and even hostile because their ethos is against these sort of adoptions. They have many older or handicapped children they need to place who are their first priority. Social workers can make you leel very guilty if you are not prepared to cope with a disturbed or maladjusted teenager and people like us come in for a lot of scoffing because we want a baby which is a perfectly

The British government gives the impression that only our laws are adequate for making sure people are all right to be adoptive parents as if places like El Salvador whereas in fact I was enormously impressed by the procedures we had to go through in both of the countries we adopted our children from. They were extremely punctilious and every document had to be triple authenticated. In Paraguay the natural mother went through a number of psychology tests before the court agreed to her request to have her baby adopted. It took about eight months altogether.

There is a case for some sort of system that helps to make the process more speedy and efficient out Stork argues that there should be a special agency to deal with inter-country adoptions such as



Mother love: Deborah Fowler with Michael, now aged three, who was adopted by the Fowlers from Romania in 1990

those that exist in other countries, including Sweden. France and Germany, rather than leaving it to individual local authorities."

Once the new procedures are in place, if a child is brought to the UK without the proper authorisation and temporary admission has been granted by immigration officials, local authorities will have the power to apply to a court and have the their own investigations. Peter Thurnham, an MP who

has made foreign adoptions a special interest, said: "I have raised the issue of a better anneals procedure with the minister because, while in some parts of the country there is considerable help from local authorities, in others they are obstructive. I have had people coming to me who say they will have to move in order to adopt a child from abroad. At the moment it is like a patchwork and that can be heart-breaking for people who happen to live under the rule of the wrong authority which has the power of life and

Announcing the new proposals Mr Yeo said that they were deigned to protect the welfare of the child and "eliminated corrupt practices". Terry Connor, the chairman of the British Agencies for Adoption and Fostering (BAAF) who weicomed them says: "Concern about children who come into Britain for adoption has been sultation document's proposals represent a real step forward in introducing saleguards. These won't prevent inter-country adop-

tions from happening when that is really what is best for the child, but they will go a long way towards preventing abuses such as traffick-ing in children." ome 700 children are estimated by BAAF to have come into Britain from foreign countries last year. But that number, it says, was

exceptionally high because of the

public sympathy generated by the plight of children in Romania.

Deborah Fowler and her husband, Alan, who adopted two-year-old Michael from Romania in 1990. this year tried to adopt a second child But under Romania's new system of foreign adoptions they were deemed too old (the Romanian national adoption committee stipulates no more than 35 years. between a mother and child, no more than 40 between a father and children (the Romanians say adoptive parents should have no more than two children). The Fowlers had received approval from the health denartment for a further adoption, after an addendum to their home visit and new medical checks. After being turned down by

Earlier this year the government gave a grant of \$43,000 for six months to establish the Overseas Adoption Helpline to give advice to those hoping to adopt abroad. It: has been given further funding to

Romania, they tried Bulgaria but

were turned down there on the

basis that Mr Fowler was too-

carry on to the end of next March. Obviously it is right to try to stop the alleged trade in babies but Margaret Bennett, a solicitor who is the chairman of the British Advisory Board on Inter Country Adoption questions whether the bringing of a baby into this country by course who have complied with t the child's country of origin should be criminalised.

groups, have put forward a paper to the health department with our view that criminalising a few couples who come through immigration with a baby is not appropriate. I cannot think of any country in the world where they have made it a criminal offence to bring a child into the country in similar circumstances. After all the hoops they have been through, what are you going to do? Are they going to be put in jail? Are you going to fine them? Send them back with the baby? They have not abducted it, they are the legal parents of these children in accordance with the laws of the child's country."

SIDE LINE

# **Pupils** do it in stone

The new library is lettered in the Gill tradition:

alf a century after the engraver, letterer and sculptor Eric Gill died, his spirit and philosophy live on through his last pupil, David Kindersley.

This week, apprentices from Kindersley's Cambridge workshop are perched on scales of the page of t

folding above Euston Road, adding the ring of the ham-mers and chisels to the whine of London traffic as they cut the words THE BRITISH
LIBRARY in enormous
Roman capitals from blocks of
red Scottish sandstone.

Kindersley, now 77, bearded and with a long, balding
head not unlike Gill's, wraps

the proceedings in rich walts of cigar smoke, as he talks about his mentor.

He says: "Gill believed in making things that people wanted. He used to talk about 'this art nonsense' and ask What's it all blooming well for? Most especially, he was totally at variance with the

teaching of art in art schools." Like Gill, Kindersley insists that his apprentices come to him free of any artistic training. He points to the letterers ranged along the scaliolding: "Cornelia arrived from Hol-land on a bicycle; she had been a primary school teacher, but felt she needed to make things with her hands. Guy used to be a civil servant. Owen has just left high school in Yukon.

nce in his workshop, apprentices learn in the Gill tradition, that their work must not be an "Today", Kindersley says, "we are inclined to extor the virtue of "tidat" tidentification, with what we are doing, but it was not something GH ever considerable example.

Kindersley's wife, Lide, exone perfect Roman alphabet They go over it and over it and finally cut it, and David goes over it again and they cut it again, until it's finally done. After that, you've got it fixed in your head. In a way, you've been humiliated, told, 'It's not you that matters, it's what you're making'.'

MAGGIE PARHAM An exhibition of Eric Gill's Sculpture opens at the Barbio London, on November 11.

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# My part in his story

Half a century on, a former desert war correspondent recalls Montgomery's rout of Rommel at El Alamein

mel and his Afrika Korps swept into Egypt in the summet of 1942 a London paper cabled its Cairo correspondent: "Will the Egyptian army fight stop thousand words please". The reporter cabled back: "No no thousand times no". He was right. Egypt took no part in the desert war, and the Eighth Army, had to face Rommel alone. In his first address to his officers on arrival in the desert, Monty said: "We are going to finish with this chap Rommel. It will be quite easy. He is definitely a nuisance." Yet he did not strike until October 23, and he

did so with a harrage the like of which had not been seen or heard by British troops since 1918. Victory came on the 12th day.

The Army Commander was determined that the first announcement of the victory should come from him, and he recalled me and the other war correspondents. Monty received us at his advanced HQ on the seashore north of Alamein station. "Well, gentle men," he said, "you see I am wearing a new hat." Gone indeed was the Australian slouch hat, and in its place was the black heret he was to wear till the end of his days.

No slouch, no beret; Monty revisiting Egypt

"Well." he went on, "it has been a fine party. We have won a complete and absolute victory. I have captured General von Thoma, Rommel's deputy. He was brought here last night. He dined with me and slept here. At dinner we fought the battle over again. It must have happened to few generals to capture their oppo-nent and then discuss the

As correspondent of the News Chronicle, I had shared an army car throughout the battle with Geoffrey Hoare of The Times and our conducting officer, the unflappable Mar-

quis of Ely, no less All over the desert. biands of enemy troops, some on wheels but most on foot, were heading west with only one thought to get out of Egypt as fast as their jolting trucks or weary legs could carry them.

Stragglers who couldn't keep page were looking for someone to round them up. In an hour we must have passed at least 50 trucks packed with prisoners. Many of the trucks were German or Italian, driven by the prisoners themselves. The Italians all looked thoroughly happy: they waved their bands and cheered us as we passed. The Gerand silent ... And

how were our own men taking it? Well, as Geoffrey Hoare remarked: "Looking at their faces, you couldn't tell whether they were winning or losing. In victory and defeat they're just the same."

Fifty years on, I can vividly

recall the sight of a young German lying dead beside a shell-smashed car, near him a postcard signed lise, from Uckermunde in Prussia: How are you liking it in Africa? Have you seen any fighting yet?" There, in that body lying in the desert, the fraulein had her answer.

WILLIAM FORREST

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A policeman's lot: years of pounding the beat are said to have taken their toll on many officers' feet and given rise to the slang name flatfoot

# Putting a spring in your step

by the way my mother walked. I felt sure every riveted to her bottom as it swung back and forth over her delicate ankles. I listened for the muttered curses of people who bridled at her snail's pace on crowded pavements. As time went on she walked less and less. Now, in spite of a bunion operation, she thinks of 100 yards as a long way. Then, to my horror, a year ago I noticed that my son has the same waddling gait, flat feet, and the beginnings of a bunion. He is four years old.

Something, surely, could be done, other than a bunion operation in 50 years. I harangued the GP three times before he referred me to an orthopaedic surgeon. He was as adamant as the GP. Flat feet stay flat. Bunions always grow. (He offered to cut mine out when they got bigger). I gave up.

Luckily for my son, I slipped a disc and came across a physiotherapist who looked at my (one) flat loot, "That's what's putting a twist on your back. A flat foot makes one leg shorter than the other. You should get some orthoses to straight en vour walk."

Orthoses, pieces of moulded plastic that fit in the shoe, have been

years in America, but it was the cascade of sports injuries in the 1980s that made them popular. Several sports manufacturers spon-sored trials which gave "bio-mechanical" theories more credibility. The runner Tim Hutchings tried orthoses in 1989 after four years of struggling with shin pain. "It was an overnight change," he said. He went on to run for Britain in the 10,000 metres at the European Cup and came second in the world cross-country championships that

My own orthopaedic surgeon said of orthotics (the use of aids to assist weakened joints; "I was hoping it was becoming less fashionable. There is very little evidence it does any good." But there are others, such as John Challis, at the North Middlesex Hospital, and Keith Porter, at Birmingham Accident Hospital, who do refer their patients to podiatrists (chiropodists who use orthodics and whose "bio-mechanics"). Mr Porter says: People come to me for a second opinion when they are due for Siobhan Brooks

discovers that the flat-footed can lose their waddle and learn to walk tall

surgery. I often recommend they get a bio-mechanical evaluation and we find that many operations are not needed."

Mr Porter sends patients to a clinic run by Mike Garmston, a British Olympic team physiotherapist. The assessment procedure includes close-up videos of the feet walking and running on the tread-mill. "With a severe pronation (the inward roll of the foot), even normal walking around is likely to create problems further up in the body. An athlete with only a slight

contorted walk has

made him stiffer than

I am. He is not able to

touch his toes

malalignment will discover the pro-

blem only under intensive training

feet, and building the precise

correction into a lightweight mate-

rial slim enough to fit into a shoe

and strong enough to kick a football with, is an expensive

business, and the correction is only effective while the device is in place. Controlling the angle of rotation of

the major joint in the ankle (the

talus) is supposed to realign the

knees and hips and enable a person

to balance without tensing the

wrong muscles. After a few months,

people can measure an inch taller

because they are no longer sticking

Unlocking yourself from the position in which you were stuck for

years can be quite an ordeal. My

son's contorted walk has made him

stiffer than I am. He cannot touch

his toes. Richard Waller, a podia-

specialises in treating children,

says: "With children, it's not only

the rest of their body which adapts

out their bottom or poking forward

Making a cast of the patient's

mental outlook, humping along, getting left behind. They start thinking, 'I'm not a good walker'. they get less exercise, and they are less confident."

Children may be incubating problems which will cause them pain later in life. Only 2 per cent of children have bunions, a painful and disabling swelling of the bone below the big toe, but 50 per cent of elderly women suffer from them. Podiatrists no longer think that they are the price paid for a lifetime in high-heeled, pointed shoes (although that may be a factor). Research now points towards genetics. When Rome University Medical School X-rayed the feet of several hundred Egyptian mummies, it found them to have immaculate feet until they started marrying northerners, after which they developed bunions.

Tim Kilmartin, senior tutor at Northampton School of Podiatry, is looking at the effects of orthotics on the progress My four-year-old son's of bunions in 2,000 Kettering children. "I took nine-year-olds because I wanted a decent number of well-formed bunions (150) before the onset of

Kilmanin's results, due to be published shortly. will indicate whether permanent improvement in the bone structure of

children's feet is possible, but there are long-term benefits just in reducing the wear and tear on joints which are not moving correctly. If you can slow down the damage being done by arthritis and bunions, the patient may avoid a painful old age and a succession of operations.

Many orthopaedic surgeons re-main sceptical. Mr Kilmartin ex-plains: "You could fill a sack with the appliances orthopaedic surgeons have seen come and go. Most of them are as much good as rubbing a potato on your head."

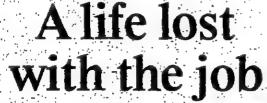
And while the risks appear preferable to those of an operation, when stress is redirected through the body, it may be hammering at a weakness eisewhere. Mr Hutchings developed hamstring trouble in the years after his orthoses dealt with the shin pain. He suspects the two are related. Mr Garmston warns: "If the patient finds no relief, or new aches and pains are getting worse after a month, it is essential to go back, before you have a new injury to contend with."

Dersonnel officers, new guests at dinner parties, happy families sitting about their happy homes playing Happy Families all know it. You are what you do.

We are defined by our occupation. Whether that information is filled in on an application form or imparted over a glass of sherry, that is the label society (everyone who isn't us) attaches to us. When recession rips off that social sticker, we, too, become un-

To have a job is to have a structure to your existence not merely the reason for getting out of bed in the morning, but the wherewithall to own your own bed; what time to get up, what to wear, which bus to catch, how to. spend the hours until bedtime. The loss of a job is akin to bereavement, the loss of an entire way of life.

Many employers imposing redundancies now offer counselling, though this seems in many cases to focus on financial matters: how to invest the "handshake" — perhaps in shares of the streamlined company you have just left. Such help is as appropriate and inappropriate as the visit to the solicitor after the loss of a loved one. Sure, you need to know who the executor is and how to pay for the funeral, but it's little help with the practicalities of what to do with the old suits and who you



will kiss goodnight to, how to face each morning, and why you should go on at all.

Those who counsel the new ly bereaved report that comparable emotional stages have to be undergone with the loss of a job. Disbelief — this isn't happening, this isn't happening to me. Anger — how could they, after all my years of service? Feelings of betrayal, worthlessness, disconnection with the world at large and daily routines in small.

Part of the message intended to give meaning to the recently redundant is about silver linings. Consider what you hated about your work well, you won't have to do that now. Reflect on your hobbies, or "leisure interests" as they are now termed: think how much more leisure you'll have to go fishing or train-spotting or doing sub-aqua photography. Cold comfort, I should have thought. A hobby is by definition what you do in your spare time, something there's never quite enough time to do - not what you elect to do when there's all the time in the

world. "There are two trage-

dies in life," Shaw reckoned:



DAVINA LLOYD

"One is to lose your heart's desire. The other is to gain it." Even if you longed for more time, it's not what you really

Redundancy not only turns a single life upside down, but inverts all the connected lives. The old family card game bears witness to the way we all saw ourselves. Many a wife, whether willingly or not, took her life-label from her husband: Mrs Bunn the Baker's wife. Young Master and Miss Bunn, too. How is it for Mr

Bunn, the former Baker, to be designated Mr Mopp, the part-time cleaning lady's

"Sorry, not at home" is the proper Happy Families response. Chances are, for the family with a redundant Dad. that he probably will be. Male pushers of buggies and supermarket trolleys may not be New Men, by choice. If the wife - who has not previously wanted to or within the family been allowed to work - finds employment, economics dietate that she must take it.

ould it be that all this offers new opportunities to more of us? If Mr Burn is released from the social expectation of breadwinning, he may take to the notion of minding the little Bunns in the oven, and Mrs Bunn may be able to retrain as a brain surgeon — or a redundancy counsellor. It requires a general change of mind and heart.

Such thoughts and current events may put us beyond our pity and prejudice, to a broader understanding of both the iob titles and the euphemistic lahels, "freelance", "consultant", "undergoing retraining", "just restructuring my work pattern". There, but for a brown envelope, go most of us. In the next round of rationalisation, perhaps me or the chap next door, it could even FIGHTING BACK WITH THE IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND

with their head.

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# Hooked on a quiet cup of caffeine

CAFFEINE is the most widely consumed mood-altering drug in the world. It is found in a greater range of drinks, foods and medicines than people think, including cola, chocolate,

tea and painkillers. Regular coffee drinkers do not tend to see themselves as drug takers. But heavy users who consume more than three to four cups of ground coffee or six of instant a day may find themselves feeding an addiction, as may a child who drinks large quantities of cola.

· Caffeine can help to increase vigilance, but there is no evidence that it improves intellectual performance. Nor is it an antidote to alcohol or hangovers. It may make driving more dangerous after drinking because it heightens alertness but not reaction times.

 Caffeine aggravates the symptoms of a hangover because, like akohol, it stimulates the kidneys and increases dehydration. It is included as an ingredient of painkillers because it increases their analgesic power and speeds their effects.

BOTTOM LINE

What the tea or coffee addict needs to know

 Tolerance levels for the drug yary. Anxious, nervy people are more strongly affected. Some say they cannot drink a single cup of coffee before bed without suffering disturbed sleep, while others claim several cups have no effect. But laboratory tests show that a cup of strong coffee drunk an hour before bed will disturb the sleep of most people. causing restlessness.

● Doctors say that up to 400 milligrams of caffeine a day is unlikely to cause sideeffects or dependence. But it is easy to exceed this level: three cups of ground coffee (115mg of caffeine each), a can of cola (40mg) and a four-ounce har of plain chocolate (80mg) would take you beyond it. Instant coffee (65mg an average cup) or tea (40mg) would give a:

● A report in the current issue of the New England Journal of Medicine suggests that even moderate caffeine users who drink two or more coffees a day (or equivalent) may suffer with-drawal symptoms, including headaches, drowsiness and fatigue. The only cure is ... another cup of coffee. Caffeine has been linked with cancer,

heart disease, cholesterol, infertility and birth defects in recent years, but in all cases the evidence is inconclusive. An analysis of 20 major studies published this month conduded that coffee drinking does not increase the risk of heart disease and stroke in healthy people. The British are among the largest consumers of caffeine in the world. Although we come way down the league of coffee-drinking nations, consuming less than half that drunk in North America: our thirst for tea more than compensates. We consume twice as much caffeine as the North Americans

and six times the world average. JEREMY LAURANCE Retune your tranny and take to the streets in solidarity with the oppressed Radio 4 listener

ince I spent my entire weekend preparing for next Saturday's planned march on Broadcasting House, I could hardly believe my ears when they said that the thing was cancelled. "Cancelled?" I said. "That's all very well, but what am I going to do with all these balloons?" It had taken hours to blow them all up, and I was not only red-faced and breathless but covered in indelible black marker-pen, from writing smudgy "Save R4 LW" on surfaces that kept going squeak and slipping sideways. Petulantly, I kicked the balloons about the room, and turned up Desert Island Discs until the neighbours pounded on the wall. No march. then. No flipping march. No opportunity to demonstrate, in the words of our leader, that "the decent people of Britain . . . have been taken for granted for the last time." For a moment I was fired by the wild, defiant idea of attending the march regardless, and parading down Oxford Street in splendid isolation. But then I realised it wouldn't be worth it. Reporters would assume that, as a Radio 4 Long Wave supporter. I was necessarily opposed to news, and lived with my head in a bucket. They would think I was marching on my tod because I hadn't read in the newspapers that nobody else was coming.

I can think of only one excellent reason for cancelling the Save Radio 4 Long Wave march on Saturday: that it might appear a feeble cause compared with the jobs of 30,000 miners, to be protested on Sunday. But the true reason for calling it off gave me greater cause for concern. The BBC governors have evidently promised that Radio 4 will keep its long-wave frequency until listeners everywhere can get Radio 4 on FM. But given that the BBC currently insists that nearly everybody can get FM already, I don't consider this much of a concession, quite honestly.

nd the feeling of being fobbed off is a familiar one. When listeners complain to Feedback that the FM reception is terrible, the BBC technical people calmly reply that actually, no it isn't. "It is," people insist. "No it isn't," comes the reply. Attach your portable tranny to an aerial on a 30-foot pole, they say, and you'd be surprised. Well yes, I'm sure I would. I worry, furthermore, that our leader, Mr MacKinnon (whom God preserve), is a mathematics teacher, who has been tricked by a cunning appeal to his logical mind. He says the governors have promised 100 per cent FM. reception, whereas (ah-hai) "FM will never cover more than 98.3 per cent of the UK". Ergo, the whole thing is logically ruled out. Well, call me a tired old cynic, but personally I wouldn't put QED at the bottom of that one.

Perhaps I just fancied the fresh air, of course. There's nothing so bracing as a good march, and we Radio 4 listeners don't go out much, naturally. In fact, if one is to believe the stereotype depicted in most stop-those-damned-wireless-whingers editorials in the press, we are so busy brushing our Hush Puppies and listening to Gardeners' Question Time (ho. ho) that we might as well be locked up together in a Home for the Incurably Bewildered on the Isle of Wight. They seem to have got us confused with newt fanciers; and they also seem hooked on the slightly offensive notion that listening to Radio 4 cuts you off from reality rather than engaging you with it. If many of the people who object to the frequency changes also object to the idea of a rolling news service (not everybody does, actually) it is because they know they did not ask for a rolling news service (stand up anyone who did), and because they understand the reality of listening to the wireless. A radio service that brings you instant news might be worth striving for, in theory. But imagine you are sitting at home when the big unexpected new story breaks - a bomb explodes, a minister

resigns. How do you know to turn the radio on?

You could sit there for hours none the wiser.

have let down some of the balloons. What a crying shame. A march would have made us L feel so much better. One thing that is certainly true of radio listeners is that while we may occasionally try to engage the BBC in a twoway conversation ("Show me this so-called listener research, then, Mr So-called Tony So-called Hall!" we yell, with finely judged sarcasm, during evasive interviews on the Today programme). we are doomed to fail, of course, because of the inexorable one-way nature of the medium. But the idea that other listeners, in other kitchens, in others baths, in other traffic jams, are yelling the same thing is a comforting notion, and the march would have made this sense of community real. In fact, the only thing I didn't fancy about the proposed march was that it was to proceed in dignified silence. Oh, come on. I wanted to hold hands and be joined in vocal unison with all my unknown friends. "What do we want?" Mr MacKimnon could have shouted from the front. "Radio 4 to remain on long wave!" we would holler back, with no particular ear for rhythm. When do we want it?" "In the future, obviously!"

I have a feeling that a few people might still turn up on Saturday. After all, the message over the weekend was scarcely clear. "We are still going to march on Broadcasting House," was in the papers on Saturday, yet on Sunday most of the papers reported that it was off. I wondered whether a rolling news service would be as confusing as this. How hard it is to revoke things. Once people have been set in motion they are like cruise missiles, or high-handed BBC decision makers, programmed to take no notice of subsequent instructions. Meanwhile, think of those listeners in Wales who will end up with only Radio Cymru (in Welsh) on FM. They may be half-way to London by now, marching in dignified silence, with no turning back. And when they finally reach Marble Arch on Saturday they will have only their balloons for company.

Left-wing conspiracy theorists are shocked by ferocious press attacks on the government, writes Janet Daley

# Poodles that finally bit

as the lapdog turned rabid? There is much smirking on the left about the Tory press being forced to eat its words over John Major and his hapless government. The newspapers which put him into office with what Labour politicians saw as a concerted propaganda proconcerted propaganda pro-gramme engineered by Smith Square, are now engaged in the most comprehensive vilification of a sitting government in living memory. Inevitably in such a media-conscious society, almost as much analysis will be devoted to this change of mood as to the events themselves.

Indeed, the world seems to have been turned on its head since the election. Press poodles have, in the metaphor of the pundits, turned into Rottweilers. Arthur Scargill has been rehabilitated. "Honest John" Major who was to bring back pragmatic non-ideological, and above all, listening government, now appears both inept and obstinately wrong-headed. Irony follows irony. How is it that the image of the coal miners and their leader could have so

the prime minister was

gloomy. He wrote in his diary: "The govern-ment is now wandering vainly all over the battlefield looking

for someone to surrender to -

and being massacred all the

time." The author was Douglas

Hurd, then working for Edward Heath, writing in Feb-

ruary 1972 about what he

called the "disastrous" end to

the miners' strike which pushed up wage claims and led to the U-turn of a statutory incomes policy nine months later. The

Major government yesterday suffered a comparable setback. Like the Heath administration

more than 20 years ago, the miners have weakened a Tory

government's authority and ex-

posed huge holes in its econom-

The partial moratorium on oft closures may merely defer

the threatened redundancies.

rather than cancel them, so

leaving many MPs dissatisfied

last night. But, after the sham-

bles of the past week, the

concession nonetheless repre-

sents a substantial dimbdown,

as Michael Heseltine's unusual-

Commons showed. The an-

nouncement is so damagin

politically not just because it

leaves energy policy in disarray but because it follows an earlier

U-turn a month ago when

sterling was forced out of the

Previous governments have

of course, made U-turns on

policy. Even the Thatcher gov-

ernment did so from time to

time: on student grants, cold

weather payments, top people's

pay, grants to local authorities, and the nuclear industry and

electricity privatisation. But em-

barrassing though these shifts were for a few days or weeks,

none was central to the govern-

In the past, governments

have suffered serious and, at

times, irrecoverable setbacks

when they have reversed core policies. These changes have

had a triple effect of shaking a

cabiners own self-confidence

and cohesion, of demoralising

ing public confidence in the government. The Attlee govern-ment was knocked off balance

twice: by the fuel and convert-

ibility crises of 1947, and by the

devaluation of 1949. The gov-

ernment recovered from the first

when Stafford Cripps became

Chancellor, but, even though it

narrowly won the February

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metamorphosed over the past decade? They have gone from being Marxist wreckers fighting being Marxist wreckers uguing for political supremacy over a democratically-elected government, to being heroic victims. Many people who regarded Mr Scargill and his flying pickets as public enemies during the Eighties, turned their lights out. for two minutes in support for them on Sunday night with the blessing of some of the most right-wing leader writers in the putting Labour into power.

Mr Major himself has a new incarnation: not so much the nice guy who eschews blind dogma as the vacillating coward who is out of his depth. Why, ask the media watchers, has this new world view supplanted the old with such startling universality? To devoted conspiracy theorists on the left, there can be only one answer or, at least, only one kind of answer (the details may vary). The omnipotent

Tory establishment have decid-ed that the choice of Mr Major as leader was a Big Mistake. In the long-term interests of the party, and the short-term interests of the party's friends in the City, he must be replaced before the next election. Having got the party safely into office for-four years, the Tory press may now criticise those character traits which it would not have dreamt of calling into question while there was a real danger of

This is a useful account for those who believe that the British press is unfailingly in the pocket of the Tories, because it avoids the difficulty presented by the phenomenon of a Conservative government being attacked by supposedly fawning newspapers. It serves to confirm the metaphysical belief in the absolute nower and perfect coordination of the Conservative

lusion between the newspapers and the Tories, or sniggering over what they imagine to be the mortification of editors who are northication of editors who are now having to rue their earlier judgments. Labour apologists ought rightly to worry about the invisibility of the left in all of the current coverage. Even Mr. Scargill has become assurely apolitical in his tone no talk now of bringing down govern-ments but only of the economic wisdom of coal policy. What is significant about the

acrimonious relations between press and government is not that newspapers which once supported the Conservatives are now attacking them - that should come as a surprise only to people who believe the absurd picture which the left has been peddling for years of Fleet Street as a kind of capitalist Pravda -

of left paramoia. But instead of but that the entire argument about the economic and political future is being conducted within Conservative circles.

And this is not because the wicked Tory press is ignoring the persuasive solutions being offered by Labour, but because Labour has had nothing to say. Far too much attention is being paid to the newspapers' change of tack because the idea of press manipulation has become a shibboleth of leftish conventional wisdom. Children are now raught in school media studies how to analyse the bias and subliminally coded influence of

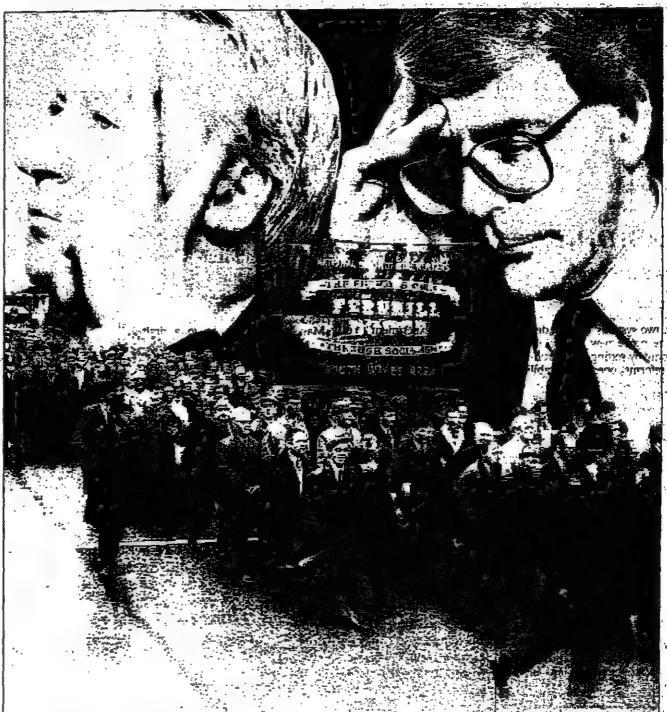
That the official opposition has become marginalised is one of the most serious long-term dangers to our democratic institutions. That we may face a future akin to that of Ulster with its permanent Unionist rule should be one of the most

failure to address it is not being orchestrated by a cabal of Tory press and politicians. It is a result of Labour's own obsession with image and press conspiracy, which has replaced political content in its arguments. And this fixation came not only from the spin doctors and hypemerchants but from the wider intellectual fashion for analysing all media communications as coded texts with their own hidden premises.

Yet no one should be startled when a free - which is to say, a commercial - press turns on any government. So long as papers have readers who are free to buy or not to buy, they will never be able to say that black is white. Those who believe that the media can invent some skewed reality with which they can delude whole swathes of the population are naive in a way that only the cynical can be. What the last week proves is not that editors who prefer to grovel must sometimes repent, but that, strangely enough, Britain does have a more or less independent

# The U-turn that spells disaster

Few leaders could survive yesterday's upheaval, says Peter Riddell



The power of the pits Edward Heath's government never recovered from the bruising end to the 1972 miners' strike

never recovered its stride after the devaluation and the resulting tensions contributed to the

election defeat in 1951. Governments have survived such U-turns only when there has been a change of personnel at the top and when there has been plenty of time before the following general election. Hence, Anthony Eden was de-

stroyed by the Suez fiasco in 1956 and the Tories recovered only when Harold Macmillan took over. He had nearly three years to rebuild confidence before the 1959 election. He in turn, never regained his previous dominance after the rejection of Britain's application to join the European Community in 1963. Similarly, the Wilson government was hobbled by the sterling devaluation of 1967 and, despite a partial recovery under the chancellorship of Roy Jenkins, the abandonment of the In Place of Strife White Paper on trade union reform in 1969 helped doom it. The Heath government demoralised its own supporters by its U-

turn on industrial

economic policy in 1972 and it never fully regained the political initiative. This lack of coherence and appearing to jump from one expedient to another were partly responsible for the defeat February 1974.

Ministers would like yesterday's announcement to be comgovernment's backdown over subsidies to the coal industry in the spring of 1981. This turned out to be a tactical retreat rather than a strategic withdrawal, and gave the government time to prepare for the expected confrontation with the miners.

However, the contortions by the Major government are more like the difficulties faced by the Wilson regime in the late 1960s and by the Heath government in 1972. They are important not just in themse but because they symbolise wider frustrations about the recession, continuing waves of redundancies and deferred

hopes of recovery. The government does not yet have an answer to these worries. The withdrawal from the ERM has destroyed the strategy which Mr Major had, while undermining his authority and that of Norman Lamont, the Chancel-lor, Now Mr Heseltine has been severely shaken, leaving the top of the cabinet looking much

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n economic policy urged by M.Ps and by industry, not clear whether the government was sticking to a tough anti-inflation approach or shifting towards a significant relaxation. The climbdown on the timing of pit closures raises further doubts about the government's firmness over public 🟺 spending and in face of threatened strikes.

Despite recent rumours of wobbling, Mr Major himself remains in a determined, even defiant mood. For instance, he had robust exchanges yesterday with some of his backbench critics when he lunched with members of the executive of the 1922 committee. While shaken by the events of the past month, he believes there is no alternative to a tight fiscal policy and trying to hold down inflation. He wants Britain to return to the ERM in time but cannot be so explicit in public because of

its unpopularity in the party. Although there is criticism of his recent leadership, there is no immediate threat to his position. Of possible successors, Mr Heseltine has just suffered a serious reverse and Kenneth Clarke is suspected by the Eurosceptics. So, in the barbed (and misquoted) remark by R.A. Builer about Anthony Eden, Mr Major is "the best prime minister we've got".

# Bring back the board

OPPOSITION to Michael Heseltine's stance over pit closures was mounting yesterday even in his own backyard. Members of the Board of Trade, that mysterious body of which Heseltine is president, are calling for the board to be convened for the first time in more than six years to discuss the crisis in the coal industry which led to yesterday's humili-



ating U-turn. The formal composition of the Board of Trade has remained virtually unaltered since it was established in 1786. It last met for a bi-

centenary celebration in 1986. Members include senior dergy such as the Archbishop of Canterbury and most of the cabinet, including the foreign secretary, who admitted last week on BBC radio that he did not know about the announcement. The Speaker of the Commons, the Master of the Royal Mint and the Master of the Rolls are all members - although due to the infrequency still unaware of the honour.

Yesterday another member, Dr David Hope, the Bishop of London, demanded that presi dent Heseltine convene a meet ing to consult his board. When he was Bishop of Wakefield, Hope made regular pit visits and when he left the mining community a year ago, he was presented with a miners' helmet and lamp. When the miners lobby parliament tomorrow, the bishop will entertain a group of Yorkshire pinnen for tea at his

"It is all a question of accountability," said the bishop's man yesterday. The bishop believes that any way in which the democratic right can be extend-ed, such as holding a meeting of the Board of Trade, should be welcomed.

Heseltine is the first in many years to revive the title of on Sunday as guests of the



President of the Board, for which he has been accused of harbouring delusions of grandeur. Perhaps he knew what he was doing. The prime minister, in whose hands Heseltine's future now lies, is another junior member - sitting at his

Peace-mongers BY THE time the Queen arriwed in Germany yesterday a team of special advisers from the treasury, foreign office and ministry of defence were already being wined and dined by lead-ing Christian Democrats. The advance party were given a high-level briefing at the Foreign Office on Friday, when Douglas Hurd issued firm orders to use every opportunity to try to undo the political damage done by Britain's withdrawal from the ERM. They flew out

Konrad Adenauer Institute which was appalled by the breakdown in communications between London and Bonn.
The diplomatic offensive will

not be without its problems. While Hurd can rely on Edward Bickham, his special adviser, to promote better Anglo-German relations, what of his colleagues? David Cameron, special adviser to Norman Lamont, is still smarting over the Bundesbank's ill-timed interventions. Perry Miller, spe-cial adviser to Malcolm Rifkind, is not much keener on the Germans. His boss has fallen out with Bonn over German withdrawal from the European Fighter Aircraft project, which is said to have jeopardised even more British jobs than the planned pit closures.

• With Michael Howard unavoidably detailned at yesterday's emergency cabinet

meeting, his deputy, David Maclean, stepped into the works in Huntingdon — John Major's constituency, no less. Asked if there was any member of the cabinet he would like to throw into the swirling sewage, the junior minister replied: "Actually I don't need to. They have already done that themselves."

# Master race

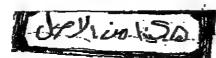
BALLIOL, the Oxford college whose alumni include Asquith, Tawney and Macmillan, has started the arduous search for a new master to replace Professor Baruch Blumberg, the scientist and Nobel laureate, who is due to stand down in October 1994.

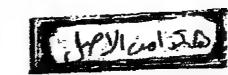
Blumberg, an American, became the first scientist to be elected to the prestigious post in more than 700 years and, according to the former prime minister, Sir Edward Heath, who is president of the Balliol Society, finding a successor will not be simple: "It is always discussed by the dons in the senior common room and they tend to take some time about it. We had a dinner only a fortnight ago and there was no mention of the election." Despite that, applications were invited yesterday in an advertisement in The Times. Were the college to opt for one

of its graduates the most obvi-ous candidate, would be the Labour politician Bryan Gould. who is in need of a job after resigning from the shadow cabi net over Europe. "Bryan Gould would be a good choice," one Oxford fellow says. "The college certainly needs someone who is a reformer. There is much too much complacency at Balliol."

The favoured internal candidate, however, is Colin Lucas, the historian of the French revolution, currently at Chicago

 As the Blues and Royals and the Life Guards were finally joined together at Windsor yes-terday under their new title of the Household Cavalry Regiment, soldiers from both regi-ments were not about to give up their separate identities easily. The regimental silver was un-packed for the mess and the two separate flags were raised in honour of their new union. "It. will be a very unusual situation 🥙 for the British army." Colonel Jonathan Trelawny explained. "Officers and soldiers will fight as a single unit but will continue to be recruited as before into either the Life Guards or The Blues and Royals." Fighting together is one thing. Eating with the same silver is clearly quite







# A NECESSARY RETREAT

■ The prime minister must now prepare for new pitfalls ahead

The Government did itself a little good Western Europe cannot pay its way, there yesterday. It avoided a rebuff from the courts for its over-hasty closure of coalmines. It bought time for the power generating companies to explain why they reject the coal that those mines produce. It gave a chance for miners who want redundancy to take their money and leave the political stage. The Conservatives are more likely now to win the House of Commons vote tomorrow that they would otherwise have lost. All in all, by the dismal standards of recent weeks, it added up to a decent day's work.

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The retraction had to happen. Even during Mr Heseltine's bravura performance on Sunday lunchtime television, it was becoming clear that a devastating blow was about to land around his head. An extraordinary amount of political miscalculation, quite uncharacteristic of the president of the board of trade, had led to this impasse. There is only one way out of an impasse, and that is backwards.

For the threatened coalminers who want to remain down the pits the news was mixed. Mr Heseltine gave no indication that he has changed his mind about the essential economic argument. The moratorium, he intends, will be no more than a stay of execution. The case will however, now have to be put properly to Parliament. It is up to all those who want to save coalmines to ensure that the complex economic arguments are fully thought and fought through.

It is clear that Mr Heseltine would rather "consult" (in the best bureaucratic sense of being the brick wall against which others break their heads) than undertake a review of Britain's long term needs for energy. He

must be persuaded to change his mind. British Coal is currently unable to sell all the coal it produces. That is not, however, simply an economic fact of life, thrown up by a free and competitive market. British Coal's inability to sell is a direct consequence of the way the electricity industry was privatised. If the most efficient producer of coal in government's head is still barely visible.

must be a case for questioning whether the market in which it functions is responding to the right economic signals.

Mr Heseltine should announce at the beginning of tomorrow's debate that he will use the moratorium to consider all new ideas put cogently to him. The regulatory authorities must be pushed quickly into action. There needs to be public examination of distortions in the domestic energy market, an exercise that includes a dispassionate view of Britain's energy needs, the possible future price changes in gas and imported coal and every other factor that might change the economic equation for domestic

For both sides in this confrontation the overall auguries are poor. For the miners the results may still not be favourable. For the government, the problem is still one of bad planning bedevilled by weak leadership. Ever since Black Wednesday, the lack of a credible policy to pull the British economy out of recession has overshadowed all the government has done and not done. John Major still, we sense, wants to return to the exchange-rate mechanism as soon as is possible. But he cannot say so. While there is such a hole at the heart of the government's policy presentation, smaller decisions are likely to go wrong.

The financial markets detect the whiff of desperation. The pound fell yesterday to 79.5 on its trade-weighted exchange rate, 5 per cent below its previous low. Investors are less worried about inflation than about the weakness of government and the weakness of the real economy. Until Mr Major addresses both problems, preferably at once,

sterling will have nowhere to go but down. Backbenchers will remain dangerously restive. There are risky announcements ahead on public spending cuts, curbs in welfare benefits and pay. The government's enemies have their tails in the air. The

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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# Concern at dangers of limiting social security budget

From the Director of the Child. Poverty Action Group

Sir. We welcome your leader of October 15 (Sense and social security"), in particular your opposition to cuts in means-tested benefits. Any move in this direction would contradict the Conservative manifesto com-mitment that "we will cominne to care for those in need and work to establish a society that is generous, as well as

However, some of your comments about possible reforms must be challenged. Integration of means-tested benefits and income tax is not necessarily a partacea for the take-up problem, and would involve either nuge administrative burdens for employers, or chunsy administration via tax offices which would be unable to cope with the fluctuating circumstances of those on low incomes.

Family credit is already paid to the mother in low-income working famities with children; this does not mean that one of the main advantages of child benefit disappears, since unfair sharing of income within the family is unfortunately not confined to the

Over the last decade there has already been a massive increase in the numbers dependent on means-tested benefits, in part because of demographic and labour-market changes, but also as a result of deliberate government policy. Before the government goes even further down that road, it should pause to consider the wider functions of social security beyond the mere relief of poverty, to the prevention of poverty and the transfer of resources to those periods (old age, early parenthood) of particuler financial pressure.

It should also ponder carefully how far Peter Lilley's own aims for the social security system, including improving incentives and simplifying benefits, can be met within a system which by its means-tested nature places severe limits on rewarding

Sir, Gillian Pugh and others (letter, October 14) explained why the Child-

ren Act must be given time to work.

May I draw attention to a draft
Department of Health circular which
will effectively dismande the principle

of minimum acceptable standards of

The circular asks local authorities to

give priority to the expansion of

services and invites them to interpret

the Children Act in a "flexible" way.

Detailed guidance accompanying the

circular withdraws any guarantee to

parents that the carers of their

children will be suitably qualified, that

they will be there in sufficient numbers

and that they do not have a history of

It thus ignores well-documented

research which clearly proves that,

Care of children

From Ms Susan Hay

provided in the Act.

child-related offences.

If there is concern about wasteful use of resources, there are far better places to start than so-called "universal" benefits - including the alternative welfare state of tax reliefs and expenditures, which the government, to its credit, has already begun to

Yours sincerely, FRAN BENNETT. Director, Child Poverty Action Group, 4th Floor, 1-5 Bath Street, EC1. October 15.

From Mrs Hermione Parker

Sir, It is reported that the Treasury is urging cuts in planned expenditure on social security benefits as a way of reducing next year's public sector borrowing requirement. For example, unemployment benefit may be re-stricted to six instead of 12 months, and some benefits may be uprated by less than the rate of inflation.

There is also a fear that in next year's Budget the Chancellor may freeze the personal income tax allowances, as Sir Geoffrey Howe did in 1981 - which would aggravate recession by reducing personal spending and increasing the earnings levels at which it is financially worthwhile for unemployed people to return to

Fortunately there is an alternative, if only the Treasury will allow it to uprate all social security benefits and income tax allowances in line with prices (at least), and to pay for the increases by suspending or reducing the present many tax reliefs for saving. This would discourage saving but maintain (or boost) spending.

Next year the Department of Social Security's 2 per cent incentives for people to opt out of the state earningsrelated pension scheme (Serps) into personal pensions will cost almost £3.000 million in terms of revenue foregone — compared with an esti-mated £2,300 million to uprate all

individual initiative and reducing benefits in line with inflation.

Additionally, the cost to the Inland Revenue of income tax reliefs for occupational and personal pensions is likely to exceed £11,000 million compared with about £1,100 million to uprate the personal income tax allowances in line with inflation.

in recession, those who can afford to save need no inducements. By contrast, the old, the sick, the unemployed, the lower-paid and most families with children need every penny they can get. It is time the Treasury accepted that, in terms of the borrowing requirement, tax expenditures and cash expenditures are like two sides of a single coin. The aim during recession should be to concentrate on those which boost demand, not those which encourage saving.

Yours faithfully, HERMIONE PARKER, Nettlefield, Pirbright, Woking, Surrey. October 15.

From the Chief Executive of Arthritis Care

Sir. Can it really be true that the minister in charge of social security had nothing more to tell the Conservarive conference than his plans to catch more scroungers (report, Octo-

Next year the social service authorities take over responsibility for community care - an enormous change which will affect the lives of everyone in this country. There is much concern about these changes, the resources which will be devoted to them, and the

long-term results.

Those of us who are intimately concerned with these developments had hoped for reassurance from Mr Lilley at the conference on some of These issues.

Yours faithfully. R. GUTCH, Chief Executive, Arthritis Care, 18 Stephenson Way, NW1.

the day-care of young children".

However, no account is taken of the

age at which a child goes into day-care, the number of hours it is

deprived of parental care and how

many hired carers take charge in the course of any one day. Children's

needs have not changed because

In denying the child's right to a

from nature to what has been called "the industrialisation of the

mother as prime carer we are depart-

family", ignoring the UN Declaration

of the Rights of the Child that "a child

of tender years shall not, save in

exceptional circumstances, be sepa-

rated from his mother". Day-care for

young children should he the last

resort, not the norm, if we want

mental health for the next generation.

society has changed.

# Identity cards and need for privacy

From Mr Malcolm Harrison

Sir, The former deputy director of Population Censuses and Surveys misses the point when calling for even a "halfway house" to the introduction of ID cards (letter, October 14). Most bureaucrats would like nothing better than to have the entire population filed, tabulated and cross-referenced. It is an administrative convenience, providing for total control.

The population at large would prefer to deny them this, being perfectly capable of determining what state agencies need to know and producing information and documentation should it be required. For the rest of the time we prefer to remain unfiled, free from intrusion and the potential for abuse implicit in bureaucratic order.

It is a matter of feelings and of subsidiarity taken to the logical level, the private individual. It is a lesson that should be learnt from the Maastricht debate.

Yours faithfully, MALCOLM HARRISON, 228-230 Fulham Road, SW10. October 14.

From Mr Ron Footer

Sir, Most of us already have a personal identity number (PIN). It is called the national insurance (NI) number and it is assigned to everyone when they reach the age of 16. All that has to be done is to extend that number for use as a PIN and assign it from the date of birth.

Yours sincerely, R. FOOTER, 24 Bowford Avenue, Bexleyheath, Kent. October 14.

From Colonel Geoffrey M. L.

Sir, My wife received this morning her replacement orange parking badge issued for the disabled. The new version is topped by the holder's name in large letters. The accompanying instruction leaflet insists that the badge is displayed in the vehicle so that the holder's name is legible from outside the vehicle.

In normal circumstances the ownership of a car is confidential information and is protected by police and the DVLA from casual enquiry. From now on this protection no longer applies to our more vulnerable citizens who have to display their

Yours faithfully, GEOFFREY M. L. CLARIDGE Dormans Court, Dormans Park, East Grinstead, West Sussex. October 14.

# Alive and well

From Mr Patrick Clancy

Sir, I have just received from the pensions administrator of my former company a "certificate of existence" for completion, confirming that I am alive, still resident at my home address - and therefore, by implication, "pension-worthy".

The certificate should be signed by

a "minister of religion, justice of the peace, magistrate, banker, post-master, doctor or solicitor". The implication is that only these are sufficiently reliable to confirm my continuing existence. I am sure that the postmaster - actually a postmistress - of our village sub-post office will be suitably flattered.

So in this case, and doubtless in others, members of Parliament, university professors, directors of public companies and senior civil servants to name but a few — do not qualify. Is it not time that this Victorian appropriate modern qualification of reliability?

Yours faithfully PATRICK CLANCY. The Old Barn, Bradleys Yard, Plumtree, Nottinghamshire. October 13.

# Bird count

From Mr B. H. Parker

Sir, So the European Commission criticises Britain for failing to protect wild birds (report, October 12).

This summer, encouraged by a statement in a Greek guide-book that Crete is a "birdwatcher's paradise", I took my binoculars on a visit there. During two weeks of travelling round the island I saw a total of two buzzards, 11 sparrows, one brown bird of indeterminate species and a distant white one, probably seagull. On return to England I exceeded

this bird count, in both number and species, in less than a minute. Yours sincerely

BRIAN PARKER. Rook House, Victoria Road, Dartmouth, Devon. October 14.

# Dressing down

From Dr Joan Schwitzer

Sir, If your photographs (October 10) show the "best" of British fashion design (bare midriff and bra under a Fifties jacket, shirt with unclothed legs) what is the worst?

JOAN SCHWITZER 33 Shepherds Hill, Highgate, N6.

# FORBIDDING CITY

Heads Patten wins, tails China loses

Chris Patten arrives in Peking tonight for his isation and further reductions in state first official visit, prepared to put China's control of the economy. People are urged to commitment to "one country, two systems" tilde dedicables and "dare to experiment". Yet to the test. A formight ago he broke new "they must not "question, weaken or negate ground in Hong Kong, not only by setting withe ruling rele of the party?

out a strategy of democratic reforms, open the stabilish is the watchword precisely of minimum acceptable standards of government and concern for social welfare, because this minimum is inherently unstable. but by insisting on the right of Hong Kong's people to have a say in their future and meet-

ing them to discuss his proposals. The contrast with the regimented proceedings of China's 14th Party Congress, just ended, could not be more obvious, or more embarrassing to a Chinese leadership totally: unprepared to deal with a colonial governor. backed by broad popular support. Peking is furious at being so skilfully outflanked, and will exact a price for Mr Patten's temerity in failing to ask China's blessing before making his plans public. He must expect a bumpy ride in from the airport.

Mr Patten has begun well, refusing to be nuffled by China's bullying over Hong Kong's new airport and asserting both his willingness to discuss his constitutional plans and a readiness, in the last resort, "to agree to differ". He was also wise to resist advice to go to Peking before it was clear with whom he had to deal, and whether Deng Xiaoping's latest bid to step up economic reforms would succeed. No decisions could be expected until then.

Mr Patten is inevitably under some pressure to show "results" from this first trip. But he should not expect miracles, even now. The party congress has resolved less than would appear from the mandatory show of enthusiastic support for Mr Deng's "magic weapon", a programme for capitalist reforms within a communist straitjacket. For a start, the blueprint is far from coherent. Mr Deng's economic reforms call for decentral-

Mr Deng's gamble is that the pursuit of wealth will keep people quiet. But millions will be thrown out of work if China overhauls the loss-making state industries. the workers' "iron rice bowi". The leadership's nervousness is indicated by the prominence of the People's Liberation Army in the new party line-up. Reforming technocrais such as Zhu Rongji have been prominently promoted, but they could be sacrificed at the first sign of unrest.

"Foreign mud" was China's description of the opium that flooded in from Hong Kong a century ago. To old men set against political reform, Mr Patten's plans for Hong Kong will be even less congenial. Its top leaders may refuse Mr Patten an audience. So be it. By setting out his own roundabout route to democracy, Mr Pattern has a lever to persuade Peking to change its Basic Law for Hong Kong and allow more direct elections. The Chinese claim that his reforms are inconsistent with the 1984 Sino-British Declaration on Hong Kong: he should invite them to prove it, and to come up with better ideas. As for the airport, he could well hint that Hong Kong is well able to build most of the airport with its own money. leaving Peking to pay for finishing the job after 1997.

Mr Patten wants, he says, to convince China that politics in a free society is no threat. That is a tall order. But the onus is on Peking to better his offer to Hong Kong. On this trip, he can afford to listen.

# **DIPLOMATIC HOT DOGS**

Let our British huskies die at home in the Antarctic

Vast events can grow from little pretexts. Wars have been started over such trivialities as the alleged loss of Captain Jenkins's ear or the guardianship of a chapel in Jerusalem. International treaties can fail because of such banalities as the exchange rate or the support price for oil-seed rape. But until now history has recorded no instance of a treaty collapsing over a pack of ageing dogs.

The international protocol to preserve Antarctica, signed by 39 nations in Madrid last year, is threatened by Britain's refusal to pull out its two teams of huskies, for whom the frozen wastes are the great white kennels in the south. Most of the treaty is concerned with a ban on mining, and the control of marine pollution and other wastes: But a section is intended to preserve the flora and fauna of the continent. Huskies when let loose go for a tramp on the eternal snows. The baby seals and penguins do not like it.

Australia and Argentina, the two other countries with husky teams, have agreed to remove their dogs by 1994. Britain refuses, on the grounds that Antarctica has been the home for four generations of huskies since 1945, and that they should be allowed to stay there until they die out from old age. According to canine actuarial advice, this should be by 1998 at the latest. Australia's environment minister has taken the opportunity for a spot of Pornmy busky

bashing to say that the continued presence of the dogs endangers the whole protocol.

There is a tradition of the watchful eye and the strong arm of England protecting its humblest subjects against injustice. Palmerston, in the Don Pacifico debate of 1850, cited the Roman, in days of old, able to free himself from indignity by saying Civis Romanus sum. This is an even humbler case of Canis Romanus sum

Huskies are neither Roman, nor British nor even Antarctic. They come originally from the frozen north, and the Arctic and the Antarctic are poles apart. Their name is a corrupted contraction of Eskimo, which is the Algonquian for "eater of raw meat", and has become a politically incorrect description for humans. Their name is factually incorrect for huskies, which live mainly on fish. Anyone who travels in a sleigh drawn by

huskies rides in a foul fishy miasma. Antarctica is a white hell-hole. Captain Scott wrote: "Great God! This is an awful démarche. But it is a typically English one.

Women priests Student unions From Baroness Platt of Writtle, FEng From Mr C. Pickering Sir, Mr Paul Hewitt (letter, October Sir, Edward Norman (The unravel-13) fails to point out that student

ling of church and state", October 17) says that those dissatisfied with the leadership of the Church of England "should turn ... to doing something about the recruitment of better priests in the first place".

Whilst not personally dissatisfied with present Church leadership I do believe in recruiting the highest quality of talents God created into the priesthood. Why do we continue denying the female half of those

Yours faithfully, PLATT of WRITTLE. October 17.

# Sexual harassment

From Dr D. A. Livesey

Sir, Dr Andy Martin, in casting doubt on his need for Dr Carrie Herbert's sexual harassment workshops in Cambridge ("Dons, not saints", October 14), overlooks some important facts. Cambridge University has a policy on racial and sexual harassment which recognises that here, as elsewhere, harassment may happen, and that if it does it should be dealt with effectively and appropriately.

It is therefore at the request of the university that Dr Herbert is running her workshops; they are not primarily designed to raise awareness of harassment, although this is one important element, but to train advisers dealing with victims of harassment.

Harassment is not a trendy issue but a very real problem faced by some individuals, not just in universities but in every context. The university would be failing in its duty to its students and its staff if it neglected to recognise this fact.

Yours faithfully DAVID LIVESEY, University of Cambridge, General Board Office. The Old Schools, Cambridge CB2 1TT. October 16.

telephone number. They may be

The market will not buy substandard services, neither will employers support a service which risks onerous liabilities. Instead, working

above all else, it is the quality, quantity and continuity of the staff/child inter-

action which matters most to both

child and parent.

parents will stop work, or be forced back into haphazard and non-pro-This proposed is not s This propo

protection measure. Neither will it do anything for the supply of childcare Yours sincerely

SUSAN HAY (Chairman). Childcare Association, 1 Floral Place, Northampton Grove, Islington, N1.

From Mrs Doreen Goodman Sir, Gillian Pugh and others rejoice that the Children Act which was implemented just a year ago "was particularly detailed and helpful on

unions, funded by public money and with a captive membership, engage in

a whole range of political activity.

"Target 70", a campaign run by the

National Union of Students during

the election, was described by its

general secretary as "a campaign to

bring students to Labour". Not surprisingly Mr Hewitt, as chairman

of the Labour party student wing, does

not wish to see this flagrant abuse of

campaigned to free the student, well

aware that the services presently run

by the union would have to be

removed from the union's commetence

and placed in the hands of pro-

fessionals employed by the institution.

The union would then run like any

other society on campus, having to

attract members because it provides

If the unions are as popular as

Lorna Fitzsimons (letter, October 13)

and Paul Hewitt suggest, students

Conservative students have always

public money checked.

an attractive product.

wholly irrelevant to the majority

12 Whittingham Road, Mapperley, Nottingham. they do not truly represent the interests of students: they would

achieve the legitimacy they presently

Yours sincerely, DOREEN GOODMAN,

lack - consent.

Yours sincerely CONOR PICKERING (National Director, Conservative Students), Conservative Collegiate Forum,

32 Smith Square, Westminster, SW!. From Mr C. G. P. Lakeman

Sir, Earl Russell (letter, October 13) says that membership of a student union is compulsory in the same way that electoral registration is compulsory. This is not borne out by the

There are indeed campus elections, but for many years the NUS has been controlled by a left-wing clique which has espoused dubious causes with public funds, with even lower turnouts than in United States elections. Moderate candidates have been unsuccessful, in the main, in making any impact on policy. Of equal importance, the unions

have consistently spoken on behalf of a conscripted membership. As the organisation currently stands the proposed reforms are timely. Yours faithfully,

CHRISTOPHER LAKEMAN. would be attracted to join in their tens 5-7 La Motte Street. of thousands. Furthermore the gov-ernment could no longer claim that St Helier, Jersey, CI. October 13.

# Electoral law

From Mr Barrie Lane Sir. Might I, as an electoral officer for

the past ten years, suggest that the Earl of Stockton's accolade (letter, October 6) to party political agents as the guardians of electoral law was badly misplaced. That honour must fall to the unsung heroes of local government, the electoral registration officer and his staff, who guide, cajole and, dare I say, correct party agents as well as supporting the whole of the election process for untold hours.

There is indeed a disturbing fall-off in persons - not just the young placing their names on the voting register. But to lay the onus of rectifying this situation on party agents will inevitably result in a claim that the register is biased.

Yours faithfully, B. M. LANE, 80 Park Avenue, Bush Hill Park,

### Writing for money From Ms Nicola Thorne

Sir, Bernard Levin ("Fool's gold in those garrets", October 12) says "there are only a handful of serious writers in this country who make a serious living by their pens". The rest have, or should have, other occupations.

I would guess that many pro-fessional novelists, of whom I am one, earn their living by plying their craft for profit. Our livelihoods, however, are now threatened by the tendency of some publishers to pay vast sums of money to so-called "celebrities" who have hitherto never written a word of fiction in their lives.

Is this fair? It would not be tolerated by the acting profession. Perhaps it is time we had an Equity card for novelists.

Yours faithfully, NICOLA THÓRNE, Woodpecker Cottage, The Row. Sturminster Newton, Dorset

place." Whenever Admiral Byrd was asked what men missed most on Antarctic expeditions, he would reply with the single word, "temptation". The British huskies are Businets letters, page 25 not doing much damage there, and apparently are a homely comfort to the humans. Their peaceful retirement in their familiar Letters should carry a daytime home is an odd occasion for a diplomatic

Dinners

North Eastern Circuit

The Junior and Members of the North Eastern Circuit held a dinner at the Middle Temple Hall.

er, Mr Brian Walsh, QC, proposed a toast to the guests who thereafter

Mr Melvyn Kill, Rogers, Master of the Launderers Company, as-sisted by the Wardens, presided at

a livery dinner held last night at Launderers Hall. The other speak-ers were Alderman Sir Allan

Davis, Judge Murchie and Mr Brian St John Mowbray, Renter

The Lord Chancellor was the speaker at a function of the Rotary Club of London held yesterday at the Marriott Hotel. Mr Neville

Shulman, president, was in the chair. The Ambassadors of Luxem-

bourg, Bulgaria and Senegal were

Baroness Fisher of Rednal was

host at a reception held yesterday at the House of Lords for the

tion of Diplomes in Safety

Mrs Rhiannon Chapman, Direc-

tor of the Industrial Society, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal

Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's. Mrs Elizabeth Cresswell presided.

English Speaking Union
Mr Gerald Durrell was the guest
speaker at a literary lecture held
jesterday as Darmouth House,
the International headquarters of
the English-Speaking Union of the
Commonwealth. Mrs Richard
Chilton, ESU governor, presided
and Sir Ronald Arculus also spoke.

Institute of Biology

The following have been elected to

Fellowship and are permitted to use the designatory letters CBiol FIBiol:

Professor & Biltaine, De I / Rosen, Professor Caldwell, Dr N & Halls, De J Hewitson, Mr Lu Hone, Professor R K Marth. Mr. B. W Pickering, Dr K Rajasingham, Mr J Kähnesson, Dr P N Trennery.

Luncheon

Rotary Club of London

among those present. .

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British Safety Council's pre-

Royal Over-Seas League

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### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 19: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh left Heathrow Airport, London, this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for the State Visit to the Federal Republic of Germany

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received at the Airport by the Lord Chamberlain (the Earl of Airlie Kt), Her Maj-esty's Lord-Lieutenant of Greater London (Field Marshal the Lord Bramall KG), Herr Friedrich man Embassy) and the Managing Director of Heathrow Airport (Mr Michael Robertst.

The following are in attendance: the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs (the Rt Hon Douglas Hurd MP), the Duchess of Grafton. Mrs John Dugdale, the Rt Hon Sir Robert Fellowes, Major-General Sir Simon Cooper, Sir Kenneth Scott, Mr Charles Anson, Surgeon Captain Norman Blacklock. Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson, Air Commodore the Hon Timothy Elworthy, Mr Brian McGrath and Mr Richard

KENSINGTON PALACE October 19: The Princess of Wales this evening attended the Film Premiere of 1492 — Conquest of

chairman, British Technology

Group, 66; Mr Hume Boggi

Rolfe, former deputy secretary, Lord Chancellor's Office, 81; Sir

Edwin Bolland, diplomat, 70; the

Right Rev Stanley Booth-Clibborn, Bishop of Manchester,

68; Major-General T. Brodie, 89:

Mr Ray Buckton, trades unionist

70; the Right Rev Dr H.J. Carpe

ter, former Bishop of Oxford, 91; Mr Chris Cowdrey, cricketer, 35;

Professor Sir Bernard Crossland, engineer, 69: Mr Lawrence Only.

Douglas Hague, former chair-man, Economic and Social Re-search Council, 66: Mr Eddie

Macken, showlumper, 43; Judge Deirdre McKinney, 64; Miss Enlo

Marx, painter and designer, 90; Mr J.G. Milne Home, former

Lord Lieutenant of Dumfries and

Galloway, 76; Lord Montagu of

Bezulieu, 66; Sir Anthony Recve,

diplomat, 54; Mr Ian Rush, footballer, 31; Professor S.B. Saul,

68; Sir William Shanland

accountant, 80; Sir Alexande Stirling, diplomat, 66; the Hon Emma Tennant, writer, 55; Mr

des unionist. 68; Profess

Paradise in aid of the National Society for the Prevention of Cru-elty to Children and as Patron, RELATE, at the Empire Cinema. Leicester Square, London WC2. Captain Edward Musto, RM. was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

October 19: The Duke of Kent, President of the Royal Television Society, this evening attended a dinner at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, London WZ at the start of the Society's Autumn Symposium. Commander Roger Walker, THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

RICHMOND PARK October 19: Princess Alexandra this afternoon visited Warwick-shire and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for count Daventryl.

Her Royal Highness. Patron of the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, opened the rebuilt Kernel Complex at the Breeding Centre at Tollgate House, Bishops Tachbrook, Learnington Spa, and later visited the Midlands Regional Training Centre at Edmondscote Manor, Leamington Spa.

### Today's royal Birthdays today Sir James Ackers, chairman, West Midlands Regional Health Au-thority, 57; Sir Colin Barker, engagements

Princess Margaret will open the Alvis Retail Park, Coventry, at 12.05; will open the new opthalmology unit at the Coventry and Warwickshire hospital, Coventry, at 2.30; and will attend a first night gala performance of Lost in Yonkers at the Richmond Theatre at 7.40 in ald of the Richmond Theatre and Help the

Aged.
The Duchess of Gloucester will open the King and Michael's Unit. funded by the Children's Leukaemia Trust, at the Rooyal Free Hospital at noon. The Duchess of Kent will attend a reception and concert at Fish-mongers' Hall at 6.50 in aid of

### **Appointments**

Marie Curie Cancer Care.

The following to join the Privy Council: Lords Justices Evans, Brown, Hürst, Holiman and

The appointment of Lord Rem mant as Bailiff of Egle of the Order of St John has been approved by the Grand Prior of the Order, the



A soldier's tale: General Norman Schwarzkopf confronts his illustrious past as he publicises his autobiography. It Doesn't Take a Hero, at Harrods in London, yesterday. Six Gulf war veterans were presented with copies

### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Sir Christopher Wren. architect and scientist, East Knoyle, Witshire, 1632; Henry John Temple, 3rd Viscount Palmerston, prime minister 1855-58 and 1859-65, Broadlands, 53 and 1859-65, Broadlands, Hampshire, 1784; Colin Carap-hell, Baron Clyde, field marshal, Glasgow, 1792; Thomas Hughes, author of Tom Brown's School-days, Uffington, Berkshire, 1822; Odilon Redon, painter, Bordeaux, 1840; Arthur Rimbaud, poet, Charleville, France, 1854; John Dewey, educator and philosopher, Burlington, Vermont, 1859; Charles Ives, composer, Danbury, Connecticut, 1874; Sir James Chadwick, physicist, Nobel laure-ate 1935, Manchester, 1891; Sir James Chadwick, physicist, Nobel laureate 1935, Manchester, 1891.

DEATHS: Jacopo Della Quercia, sculptor, Bologna, 1438; William Wollaston, philosopher, London, 1724; Grace Darling, heroine of the Forfarshire wreck, Bam-borough, Northumberland, 1842; Sir Richard Burton, explorer and scholar, Trieste, 1890; James Anthony Froude, historian, Kingsbridge, Devon, 1894; Ar-thur Henderson, Labour Party leader and statesman, Nobel Peace haureste 1934, London, 1935; Herbert Hoover, 31st American President 1929-33, New York, 1964; P.A.M. Dirac, physicist, Nobel laurente 1933, Florida, 1984: Sheila Scott, zviatrix, London, 1988.

Coronation of King George I, 1714; the boundary between Can-ada and the United States, was established at the 49th Parallel,

# **Memorial service**

Lady Caroline Gilmour, the Hou william Shawcross, the Hon Jessica Mittord, the Hon William Plowden (Institute for Public Policy Research) and Mrs Plowden, Sir Anthony and Lady Meyer, Sir Peter Petrle, Sir John Wesson, Lady Barnes, Sir Denys and Lady Lasdun, Sir Robin Day, Sir, Paul Pox, Sir Dongias Smith (ACAS), Lady Powell, Sir Ian Wrigglesworth, Sir Kenneth Bradshaw, Sir Richard O'Brien, Sir Bernard Ingham, Sir Adam Ridley, Mr John Grieg, Mr Matthew Symonds (executive and deputy editor, The Independent) and Mrs Symonds with Mr Donald MacIntyre (Independent on Sunday), Mr Alexander Chancelior Undependent Magazine), Mr Roger Berthoud, Mr John Price, Mr Christopher McKane, Mr Michael Crozler and other members of Staff. Miss Mary Ann Sleghart (rep. Mr Peter Jenkins HM Leader of the Opposition attended a service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Peter Jenkins held yesterday at St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey. Canon Donald Gray officiated. Miss Liz Forgan, director of pro-grammes, Channel Four Television, read the lesson, Mr. Michael Heseltine, MP, read from the works of John Donne and Mr Julian Mitchell read from the works of Dylan Thomas, Mr Andreas Whitt-

pertition, Mr. John Price, Sci.
Christopher McKane, Mr. Michael
Cruzier and other members of staff.

Miss Mary Am Sieghant (representing the editor, The Times) with
Mr. and Mrs. Simon Jenkins and Mr.
Perdinand Mount (editor, Times,
Interary Supplements; Mr. Donald
Treiford (editor, The Observer), Mr.
Michael Jones (The Sunday Times), Mr.
Kenneth G Dodd (executive editor,
Guerdian Newspapers) and Mr. Peter
Presson (editor, The Guardian), Mr.
Gordon Greig (representing the
solitor, Daily Mail), Mr. John Maddox,
Mr.
Gordon Greig (representing the
solitor, Nature) and Mrs. Maddox, Mr.
John Bin (deputy-director general,
BBC) with Mr. John Cole, Mr. Tony Hall
and Miss Jenny Abramsky, Mr. John
Snow (Channel Pour News), Bir
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University), Miss. Sus. Stigman
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Mr. Christopher Down, Mr. and Mr. executive. The Independent, gave an address. The American Ambassador and Mrs Seitz attended and the German Ambassador was repre sented by Herr Friedrich Gröning. Among others breschi were

Mrs Jenkins (widow), Nathaniel
Jenkins (2011), Miss Arty Jenkins, Mrs
Milly Jenkins and Miss Flora Jenkins
(daughters), Mr John Powers and Miss
Janet Jenkins (brother-in-law and
stater), Mrs Anne Wollheim (motherin-law), Gapriel Toynibe, Mr
Bruno Wollheim and Mr Ropast
Wollheim (prothers-in-law),
Lord Parkinson, Lord BombanCurtar, Lady Lever of Manchester, Lord
and Lady Antam, Lord Hohne of
Cheitenham, Lord Ardwick, Lord
Jenkins of Hillsad and Dame
Jennifer Jenkins, Lord and Lady
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Williams of Elvel, Lord Merlyn-Rees,
Lord and Lady Milna, Lord Fraser of
Kilmorack, Mrs Deborah Owen, Mr
Edmund Delin, Mr. Sir, Michael
Palitier, Mr Neil Kinnock, Mr. Mr
Robert Sheldon, Mr. Mrs. Virginia
Bottomiey, Mr. Lady de Bestine. present were:

am Smith, editor and chief

Jeremy Swift, Mr and Mrs Michael Davie, Miss Anne Spackman, Mr George Welden, MP, and Mrs Walden, Mrs Anne Lapping, Dr Marjorie Mowlem, MP, Mr and Mrs George Melly, Mr Gus O'Donnell, Mrs Annes Comford, Mr Hilbary Rubinstein, Miss Patricia Rawlings, MEP, Mr Ranf Miller, Mr Michael Sissons, Mr David Lipsey, Mr Stephen Glover, Mr Nigel Proman, MP, Mr Walter Metricia, Miss Hilary Amistrong, MP.

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# Panufnik Memorial

On the occasion of the opening of its 37th anniversary Season, the Park Lane Group presented a concert at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on October 18 to comment rate the first anniversary of the death of the composer Sir Andreij Panufnik. Those present were: Parulinik. I note present were:
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fan Fraser. Professor and Ans Peter
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und Mrs Ainsile, Mr. Antirkw Mortis France.
Lane Group! And Miss Mooris, Mr. John
Woolf (Pirudine), Park Lane Groups.

### Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.G.R. Cameric Temple, London on October 17, 1992, in honour of the Right Hon Lord Taylor of Gosforth, the Right Hon Lord Mustill, of Patelsy Bridge, the Right Hon Lord Justice Kennedy and the Hon Mr Justice Holland. The Circuit Lead-

and Miss V. Weste The engagement is announced between David, either son of Mr between David, their said of the rand Mrs John Carnegie, of Handois Manor Farm, lersey, and Victoria, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Wesley Weste, of Church Farm, Wheaton, Staffordshine.

Mr T.P.G. Finch and Miss H.M. Greenwood the engagement is announced between Toby, only son of Mr.A.G. Finch and the late Mis G.R. Finch, of Harpenden, Herdord-shire, and Helen, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.M. Greenw of Leavening, Malton, North Yourseline

Mr A.N. Ro and Miss H.M. Rees

The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of Mr Robin Robinson and the late Mrs Robinson and stepson of Mrs Robin Robinson, of Winslow, Buckinghamshire, and Helen, daughter of Dr and Mrs. John

### Marriages

Sir Derek Bournas and Mrs N.C. Cox A service of blessing was held on Saturday, October 17, at The-Church of St Peter and St Paul, Worminghall, following the mar-riage of Sir Derek Boorman and MIS Nicola Cox.

Mr A.A. Slecock Mr A.A. Stocics
and Mrs P.M. Langford
The marriage took place yesterday,
between Anthony Slocock, of
Budleigh Salterton, and Philippa
Mary, younger daughter of Brigadier and Mrs H.A.H. Sheppard, of
Others St Mary Desort Ottery St Mary, Devon.

MrCJ. Smith and Miss A.E. Herson

The marriage took place on Fri-day, October 2, at St John's Hyde Park, London, between Mr Colin

### **Professor Ernest** Ludwig Stahl

A Memorial Service for Professor Ernest Ludwig Stahl, Student of Christ Church 1945-1959 and a Supernumerary Fellow of The Queen's College where he was Taylor Professor of the German Language and Literature, will be held in Christ Church Cathedral. Oxford on Saturday, November 21 at 2.30pm.

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### University news

King Bhamipoi Adulyadej, King of Thailand, has conferred the title of Commander of the Most Noble Order of the Crown upon Professor Romaid Roberts, Director of the Institute of Aquaculture at the university, for his contribution is

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HALL - On October 17th, to Philippa (née Pratt) and Nicholas, a son, Harry Robert Aladar.

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HOPCROFT - On October 13th, to Justin and Tarry, a 100 PCROFT - On October 13th, to Justin and Tarry, a 100 PCROFT - On October 15th, and Hammersmeith Hospital, Du Came Rd. London W12. to Sophie Knapp and Michael O'Keefle, Iwiz daughters.

Lithiann - On October 15th at the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Laura and Colin, a son, Daniel Henry.

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# WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard JULOTTA a. The eighth of July b. A card game c. Christmas services COMITOLOGY a. Study of committees b. The science of politeness c. Study of conic sections VALSPEAR a. The head or glacier of

girls C. A widow's peak BAŞCART a. A reinforced evening c. A supermarket shop-Answers on page 19

14th, to Pairicia (sie Mason) and Barry, a son, Henry George, a brother for Toby and Sophie.

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Summah Grace, a sister for Charlotte. PHILLIPS - On October 10th.

io Stephanie and Lindsay, a son, Matthew Harry Francis. a brother for James.

16th, to Cillian (née Dauncy) and Anthony, a son. William Lewis, a prother for Olivia. SHAKEN - On October 17th W. the Humana Hospital the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Chazi and Jane, e son, Chazi VELJANOVSKI - On Saturday October 17th 1992. Io Annabel the Fazakerelyl and Cenio, a daughler, Lydia Rose.

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daughter, Sophic Alice.

WATLING - On October 15th,
to Vanda and Olles, twins!
Elizabeth Jane and Jennima
Rose. WESTHOP - On October 16th. to Madeteine and Simon, a daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth, a sister to Samuel.

MARRIAGES 17th 1992. Ruperi Bits to Phylis human at St John's Parish Church, Broadstone.

BARCLAY - On October 18th Clifford Herny, in his 85th year. Deacefully with his 8th year. Deacefully with his family around him. Much loved by Evelyne. Jill. Stephen, Jame and Devid, his grandchildren and greatgrandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Funeral at 3.30 pm. Wednesday October 21st at Edgwarebury Lane. Edgware, Middix and prayers at 8.30 pm. A Memorial Service will be beid at the West London Synagogue. Upper Berkniery Street, W1. on Wednesday November 25th at 6.45 pm. No flowers please.

BAYLIS - On October 18th, 1992, Brism and Jentifer (nee Berrett), together in a tragic accident in a tight attent in Swaziland. Much loved parents of Merrigan. They were a devoted couple and will be greatly missed by both fazzdies in Stevenston and Scotthanke and by all who knew them. Memorial Service at Stevenston Parish Church on Friday October 23rd at 2 pm. SERICELEY - On October

BERKELEY On October 17th, peacefully at home, aged 87. Many Laik Foley, Beroness Berkelsy, dearly loved suni of Anthony, Dido and their children Tom, Robert and Pippa Guelerbock, Fuorsal at Great Kmille Church, 10.45 am Friday October 23rd, No flowers please, but any donations to the RSPCA. BIRD - On October 18th, F.W. (Dickle). GM MBE, peacefully at his home in Greece, and 79. Letters to Mrs Agatha Bird, PO Box 9, Kranidi 21300, Grace.

DEATHS BLOCHAM - On October 16th suddenly but peacetally at suddenly but peacetally at wimborne. New. Kenneth October 25th New. Kenneth October 25th New. Kenneth October 25th New 25

BURNETTE ARMSTHORG -

On October 17th, soddenly at home in Dailby, John Francis aged 60 years, a much loved husband and 2ther. Requirem Mass at Anapieforth Abbey. Thrursday October 22nd at 2 pm followed by interment at St. Peter's Church, Delby. Enguiries to J.G. Fielder & Son Funeral Directors tel: (0904) 684460.

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CARRISS — Git Saharday
October 17th 1992, at
Woodend Hospital Aberdeen,
after a long illnets, Devid
Cairus, formeriy Professor of
Practical Theology, Christ
College, Dear husband of
Rosemary, father of Lis and
John, grandfather of Karen,
John, Anne, Alexis and
Andrew, Service at
Beechgrove Church on
Wednesday October 21st at
2mn. All friends respectfully
bryfied, thereafter private.
Family Rowers only please.
CAMPRIEL — On October

Family flowers only please.

CAMPRELL - On October 17th, peacefully after a short timest, Robinson Catherine (Mondy), wife of the late (Mondy) wife of the late (Mondy) wife of the late (Mondy) catherine (Mondy) catherine (Mondy) catherine (Mondy) Service at St. George's Catholic Charch. Taumton, on Friday October 23rd at 3 pm, followed by burial at St. Famera Church. West Baghertough, Flowers may be sent to Mesers E. White & Son Ltd., Funeral Directors. 138-139 East Reach, Taumton, bet (0823) 272185.

CHURCH - On October 18th, at home. Louise Elizabeth (Betty), wife of the late Dudley Church, Mother of Elizabeth, Graham and John, much loved grandmother and great-grandmother. Cremation private. Service of Thanksplving at All Saints Church, Harpole, Northampton, Friday October 23rd at 3 pm. Family flowers only.

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CLEMOMS - On October 18th.
peacefully at home. Martiorie
(née Brand), widow of Rupert
and mother of Susan,
Hastings and Michael.
Puneral Service at St. Francis
Church. Farnham. Friday
October 25rd at 2.30 pm
followed by burtal in
Farnham Cemetary. No
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if desired to B.A.R.K. c/o
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GOWRING - On October 16th, suddenly in Cyprus on boliday. Jean Margaret, aged 67, much loved by all her family at Silchester House. Cremation private. Memorial Service to be held later.

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Roger Bhotson Gray Q.C. of
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PURCHON - On October 17th, at Persbusy Hospital. Professor Richard Denison Purchos, aged 76, dentry loved husband of Tim, father of Nigel, Anne. Cattry and Tony and grandfather of five Private bandy service. SALIMEDERS - On October
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STEWART - On Separately October 17th, at his home, Sir David Brodribo Stewart Bart. T.D., aged 78. Funeral enquiries to Massas A.R., Slack. let: (0625) 525065. Fundly flowers only. Gifts it desired to Upton Grange Home, Macclesticid.

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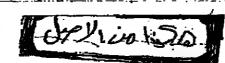
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NOTICE TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of MIM Holdings Limited will be held at the Sheraton Brisbane Hotel, 249 Turbot Street, Brisbane, Queensland

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# PROFESSOR ALAN WOODRUFF

Professor Alan Woodruff, CMG, OBE, who died of a heart attack in Khartoum on October 12 aged 76, was Wellcome professor of clinical tropical medicine at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine from 1952 to 1981 and, since 1981, had been professor of medicine at the University of Juba, Sudan. He was born on June 27, 1916.

ALAN Woodruff was one of the foremost authorities on tropical medicine of his time, and his reputation spread world-wide. His advice on combating tropical diseases was sought as far afield as Burma and China, in addition to Africa, where at the time of his death he was taking his student classes in Khartourn, Juba itself having been put out of bounds by the civil strife raging in the country. He was also an authority in this country on the increase in the importation of such diseases into Britain through the growth in air travel. Indeed, physicians from abroad often found that they could better study diseases endemic to their own countries at the London school.

But he is perhaps best remembered in Britain for the robust warnings he gave about the danger, particularly to children, of disease transmitted through dog faeces excreted in public parks. The case of toxocara, a worm transmitted through dog faeces, and the cause of eye lesions and blindness in human beings, became something of a cause célébre in the 1970s, and Woodruff's contention that dogs ought, as a consequence of the danger to children, to be banned from public parks (or at least that a higher licence fee should be introduced to finance the provision of dog wardens) drew a certain amount of backlash in a nation which seems peculiarly to resent any aspersion cast on the behaviour of "man's best



friend" and any limits imposed on cauine liberty, for whatever reason.

In a Times article of 1978, for example, one columnist thursdered that criticism of doggy behaviour on the grounds of its possible danger to children stemmed "...I suspect, from people who simply dislike dogs. It is in a poor spirit. Dogs are an

unfailing source of comfort and

companionship in thousands of homes". Such myopic sentimentality did not, however, make much head-way to the rational mind against the recitude and precision of Woodruff's scientific analysis.

Alan Waller Woodnuff was born in

Sunderland. He studied medicine. graduating MB, BS with honours in 1939 at Durham University with

being president of the Durham University Society from 1963 until 1973. Following house appointments at the Royal Victoria Hospital. Newcastle upon Tyne, he served in the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve from 1940 until 1946, reaching the rank of squadron leader.

He graduated MD in 1941 and, sitting the examination at Pune. became MRCP (Lond) in 1944. He returned to the Royal Victoria Hospital as medical registrar until 1948. He had taken the DTM&H at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine in 1946 and pecâme senior lecturer in clinical tropical medicine at the school and first assistant at the Hospital for Tropical Diseases in 1948.

In 1952 he became Wellcome professor of clinical tropical medicine at the school until his retirement in 1971. During this period he held visiting professorships at several universities in Egypt, Iraq, Uganda, Sudan and Libya. He was honorary ecretary (1957-71), then president of the Royal Society of Tropical Medi-cine and Hygiene (1973-5), and president of the Medical Society of London (1975-6). He was chairman, or a member, of a number of important committees: Haemoglobin Variants (Medical Research Council), Traveller's Diarrhoea (MRC), Expert Committee on Onchocerciasis (World Health Organis-ation), Resistance of Malarial Parasites to Chemotherapy (WHO) and the Codex Revision Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society.

He received the Katherine Bishop Harman prize of the British Medical Association in 1951, the Cullen prize of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh in 1982, and the gold medal of the University of Pernambuco, Brazil, in 1980. He was appointed CMG in 1978 and OBE Woodroff had a long-standing interest in Burma and its health problems, and was well known for the large strong Burma cigars he provided on social occasions; he was elected to the council of the British Burma Society in 1967 and became its chairman in 1970. He edited several major textbooks of tropical medicine and many articles in medical journals. His main research interests were in anaemia, malaria and other parasitic diseases, and sprue; in addition to his abiding interest and strong views on the prevention of infections with tomostra.

After retirement from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine he became professor of medicine at the University of Juba, Sudan, retiring from one job on September 30 and flying out to take up his new post on the following day. In Sudan, despite considerable priva-tions, he continued his scientific work and put great enthusiasm into developing a young department of medicine in the new medical school there.

In his time there he continued to be a tireless examiner throughout northern Africa, insisting that students in African countries deserved to have standards maintained whatever the political complexion of the regime they lived under. It was characteristic of him that he was examining in Tripoli, Libya, in the wake of the American bombing raids. Many will remember his etchings

which, depicting scenes overseas or in London, characterised his Christmas cards — he became an honorary fellow of the Royal Society of Painter Etchers and Engravers in 1979. He was also a keen astronomer, and he delighted in guiding his guests around the night sky, using one of the several handsome telescopes which he had himself constructed.

He is survived by his wife, Helen, two sons and a daughter.

# **VERONICA PAPWORTH**

Veronica Papworth fashion writer and illustrator, died on September 21 aged 79. She was born on May 13, 1913.

FOR more than 30 years Veronica Papworth was one of the best known fashion commentators in Britain. She was also an illustrator of considerable talent and individuality. Her trade-mark was the blank, hooded eyes she gave to her models while her "dotty granddaughter" character, invented to entice younger readers, became an attractive feature of long-standing Sunday journalism for members of all age groups.

Vee Papworth - friends and colleagues never used her full Christian name — started her career in journalism as a cartoonist on the Daily Mirror in 1936. These were heady days at the newspaper, with Guy Bartholomew converting it into a raucous tabloid with the young Hugh Cudlipp operating as features editor. Papworth prospered on the Mirror, but not to any great extent. During the second world war, when the paper was achieving some of its most famous successes, she was away preparing manuals for the services and painting murals for the troops.

She became well known only when she joined The Star, a now-defunct London evening newspaper. Here again was a paper changing and prospering. Its circulation rose at one time to well over a million. Its editor, A. L. Cranfield, concentrated on appealing to women in an effort to beat his rivals, the Evening Standard and the old Evening News. Papworth, who had been hired as an illustrator, played an important part in his strategy. Her captions became longer and more personalised until they devel-



oped into a column. Cranfield encouraged this process, and promoted her with her pictures appearing on buses all over London. Inevitably, she attracted the attention of national newspapers, and she joined a series of talented Star journalists who left their ramshackle building in Bouverie Street to join the Beaverbrook empire.

At the Sunday Express she proved an ideal operator for its predominantly middle class. middle England readership. Her column strayed well out-side fashion, and it attracted men readers as well as women as it portrayed the manners and prejudices of the prosperous Home Counties. She herself lived in an elegant house in Buckinghamshire, and in later years came to London as little as possible. Her work was dominated by the world of haute couture, but she never became a part of it. She was still writing her column well after her 70th birthday.

Her first husband, Major Kenneth Christianson, died from wounds inflicted during the war, and her second husband, the surgeon John Walley, also predeceased her. She is survived by the son and daughter of her first marriage. and the son of her second.

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member of Japan's ruling

Liberal-Democratic Party (LDP), has died aged 80. Because of his alleged involvement in the stocks-forfavours scandal, Hasegawa was forced to resign as justice minister.

# DR DAVID HYATT

Dr David Hyatt, campaigner for racial and religious understanding. died on September 8 aged 76. He was born on May 1, 1916.

DAVID Hyatt took his place as a key figure in inter-faith work when he was elected president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in 1973. He was instrumental

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into the fold of the International Council of Christians. and Jews (ICCJ).

David Hyatt's dream of peace originated from his childhood, when he witnessed. the activities of the Ku Klux Klan in his native Cleveland, Ohio. When his grandmother told him that these men bated Jews, Catholics and Blacks, he was at first bewildered and later angry. Years later, he was in bringing the NCCI back to act upon this anger by

joining the British Army three years before the United States went to war, serving in North

After the war and following a period working for Mertill Lynch Hyatt took a substantial cut in pay and faced the prospect of an uncertain future by accepting a post in the public relations section of the NCCJ. This organisation had been founded in 1927, after the Al Smith presidential campaign, during which a victous wave of anti-Catholic senti-ment had swept the US and religious bigotry had had a serious effect on the democratic process. It is now a thriving human relations organisation dedicated to fighting bias. bigotry and racism in America.

David Hyatt was a key influence during a formative period in the history of the NCCJ. He was deeply in-

volved in the Jack Kennedy presidential campaign, dur-ing which the issue of anti-Catholic bigotry again raised its ugly head. Hyatt and other members of the NCCJ were much encouraged by Kennedy's support for inter-religious understanding.

After a short spell in the diplomatic service in Pakistan, Dave Hyatt returned to the US to take up the post of executive vice-president of the

NCCJ in 1965. In this post he continued to work closely with US presidents and civil rights activists alike. Tragically his first wife, Ricky, died and he had to take on the additional burdens of single parenthood. He remarried in 1972, and shared the rest of his life with his steadfast and supportive partner, Lillian. She wrote a biography of David Hyatt entitled: Bonfires at Heaven's

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A striking originality is shown in the costly steel yacht which has just been laid down for the Czar in the largest shipbuilding yard on the Clyde, that of Messrs. John Elder and Co., of the Pairfield Works, near Glasgow. It is true that, in spite of the rumours to the contrary, the yacht herself is not to be equipped with any more powerful guns than 4-pounders for saluting, nor to be defended by any armour. But steadiness and comfort have been the main objects in designing her, and if the maximum of steadiness is secured in a pleasure yacht of a certain form, the addition of armour-plating and modifications not difficult to make might supply on the same principle the most stable floating

gun carriage. It is no secret that the yacht is an experiment, and that the great interest taken in her by the chief of the Russian navy, the Grand Duke Constantine eldest brother of the Czar, was largely due to the fact that she is an example of a

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The steel yacht being built on the Clyde for the Tsar of Russia clearly had some strikingly unusual features and her construction meant work for thousands of men. The tsar at the time was Alexander II.

novel system of construction which it is his work to bring into practical use. The yacht's gross burden is 7,700 tons, and her displacement with coals on board for five days is 3.920 tons. The precise lines on which she has been planned were settled as the result of a long and careful system of trials undertaken by Dr. Tideman, of the Royal Dockyard of Amsterdam, in conjunction with Admiral Popoff, of the Imperial Russian Navy. The plans were then submitted to and approved by the Grand Duke

Constantine, who, after receiving from Mr. William Pearce, the head of the firm of John Elder and Co., the builders. the assurance that the vessel could be constructed in the form determined by the Amsterdam experiments with a speed of at least 14 knots, laid the designs before the Czar, and received for them the sanction of His Imperial Majesty. The vessel is now being built under the supervision of Captain Goulaeff, of the Russian Imperial service of Naval Architects.

She may be regarded as a development of the class of vessels which Admiral Popoff, under the encouragement of the Grand Duke Constantine, has produced. No Popoff ironclad approaching the size of the new yacht has ever been built; no Popoff irondad has been seen in this country; and those which have been constructed in Russia differ from the yacht by their completer roundness of form and much greater immersion. The new yacht will be a palace raised on an enormous hollow

# THE TIMES TODAY

### NEWS

### Heseltine retreats over pits

In the most speciacular government climbdown for 20 years, John Major and Michael Heseltine retreated from their six-day-old plan to slash the coal industry in half but still left the government striving to avoid defeat tomorrow.

■ British Coal will be allowed to go ahead with the closure of only ten of the 31 pits, and there will be a moratorium until the new year for the other 21, as the government consults interested parties, including the trade unions......Page 1

### Princes share in grandfather's will

Prince William and Prince Harry have been left £1,000 each by their grandfather Earl Spencer in his £88 million will which was published yesterday. The eighth earl, Edward John Spencer said that his daughter, the Princess of Wales, and her two sisters should be given mementoes \_\_\_\_ Page 1

### Mob invades court

Pandemonium erupted at Sunderland magistrates' court yesterday when a mob stormed the dock holding a man accused of the murder of seven-year-old Nikki Allen..... ..... Page 6

### Cancer experiment

Breast cancer patients are to be given therapy in an attempt to discover whether psychology can increase the number of cancerkilling cells in their blood. Women involved in the study at Aberdeen University Medical School will be taught relaxation and be encouraged to use imagery techniques ...

### Cost of adoption

Couples seeking to adopt children could face bills of more than £2.000 under government proposals that have alarmed adoption agencies. The charges would be made to cover costs such as assessing applicants to ensure they can provide a suitable home for the child. The procedure can take weeks of enquiries ..... ..... Page 9

### Huskles accused

Britain has been accused of endangering a 39-nation treaty aimed at preserving Antarctica because it refuses to pull out two teams of husky dogs that are accused of disturbing wild life by growling at penguins and seal ... Page 9

# Health-care victory

Two sisters have won a 16month battle with the private health insurer Bupa over the company's refusal to pay an EI 1,000 hospital bill for the care

### of their mother ..... Page 10 Gorbachev under fire

The Russian government is trying to make a scapegoat of Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet leader, according to Aleksandr Yakovlev, once his close adviser and confidant, and the constitutional court hearings into the legality of the Communist party were intended to mark him as a target .......Page 13

### ANC admits torture

Details of the "staggering brutality" with which the African National Congress treated its prisoners when in exile were published yesterday by the ANC itself. A catalogue of inhumanity. degradation and death inflicted by the liberation movement on those it suspected of betrayal is contained in the report of a commission of enquiry ...... Page 11

### Croatia hitch

A last-minute hitch threatened to disrupt the otherwise smooth pull-out of the last Yugoslav troops from Croatia yesterday. Over the past week, Yugoslav soldiers have been evacuating the southern tip of Croatia, south of Dubrovnik, However, Colonei Miodrag Miladinovic, who is in charge of the Yugoslav army barracks on the strategic Previaka peninsula, said yesterday that unless certain facilities were put under UN control the army would not withdraw ..... Page 12

# Rough waters for the Russian navy

The once mighty Soviet navy has fallen on hard times and the s among its multi-ethnic crews. British American and French sailors, allowed on to a supposedly modern destroyer in the Gulf, were surprised at the low standards and morale and doors were slammed in an attempt 



In the news: Winston Churchill, a leader of the Tory pits revolt, at his home in Westerham, Kent, yesterday morning

BUSINESS

Account closed: The closure of Lloyds Merchant Bank and the withdrawal from corporate finance and banking were announced. The move follows Lloyds' failure to takeover Midland earlier. There will be 50 redundancies ..... ........... Page 21

Mortgage out: The Halifax Building Society cut its mortgage rate to 9.29 per cent for new borrowers and is offering a 6.9 per cent rate for first time borrowers wanting large loans. Meanwhile societies report a savings outflow of £264 million in September ...... Page 21 Sinking pound: The pound fell to the lowest level recorded by the Bank of England. It recovered slightly to \$1.63 (1.66) and DM2.41 (2.44). The trade-weighted index closed at a record low of 79.5 (81). The FTSE closed at 2562, down 1.7 ......... Pages 1, 24

### SPORE T Off the beil: Steve Brain, the former England hooker, claims that rugby union players are demanding and receiving illegal cash

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Cash summit: Racing's leaders are to be called to an emergency summit by Lord Hartington, the Jockey Club's senior steward, to discuss the sport's financial ... Page 37

United supporters queued at Elland Road to buy tickets for the second leg of the club's European Cup tie against Rangers, the manager appealed for calm..... Page 38

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# A spring in his step: Siobhan

Brooks finds that there is a way to stop her flat-footed son from waddling ... Page 15 You are what you do: Davina Lloyd considers how we come unstuck without a job label ....

Answering back: Bernard Ingham, Margaret Thatcher's press secretary, replies to Lord Lawson of Blaby who says in his memoirs that Ingham was "thuglike and xenophobic and proud of it" and that he failed to properly brief the Prime Minister. The comment, says Sir Bernard, "is fairly mild as failed

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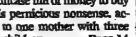
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"gnided walk" .... .... Page 27 Review: The Happy Mondays at the National, Kilburn, past their peak and unconcerned..... Page 28 Dance: London Contemporary Dance Theatre with the Mark Morris dancework: Motorcade -Theatre Royal, Plymouth. Page 28 Musical: Jeremy Sams, musical director on Stephen Sondheim's Assassins. It flopped in 1991, being perceived as un-American Page 29 dazz: Clive Davis meets John Chilton, leader of the Feetwarmers. Eartha Kitt in A Night at the Cot-

Baby business: The idea that a couple can go to South America with a suitcase full of money to buy a baby is permicious nonsense, ac-Government plans, page 9

Reaching parts: Do people drink beer or an advertising image? One company says it has two imaginary. beers that could outsell most of those on the market Page 14



mons showed .... LYNNE TRUSS

Rate remembered; In his first address to his officers in the desert,

Monty said: "We are going to finish with this chap Rommel. It will be quite easy. He is definitely a nuisance". William Forrest recalls his reporting experience... Page 14



The Queen, on a state visit, told a Bonn ban-quet: "British-German friendship is a living reality. Like all friends, we do not always see eye to eye" Pages 1, 6

### Tonight's choice

Masters re-visited: Omnibus (BBC 1) on Robert Lepage, whose dark Midsummer Night's Dream split the critics and Without Walls, (C4), turns its attention to Michelangelo

Listings, Page 39

### **Error postponed**

Mr Heseltine gave no indication that he has changed his mind. The moratorium is to be no more than a stay of execution. He intends to use the time merely to put his case better to Parliament. He will consuit but not undertake a review of the structure of Britain's energy needs post-electricity privatisation. This is a mistake

### Hot dog, cold no

Until now history has recorded no instance of a treaty collapsing over a pack of ageing dogs ...... Page 17

### PETER RIDDELL

After the shambles of the past week. the concession nonetheless represents a substantial climbdown, as Michael Heseltine's unusually faltering performance in the Com-

Having spent my entire weekend preparing for the planned march on Broadcasting House, I could hardly believe my ears when they said that the thing was cancelled. "Cancelled?" I said. That's all very well, but what am I to do with all these balloons?..... .... Page 16

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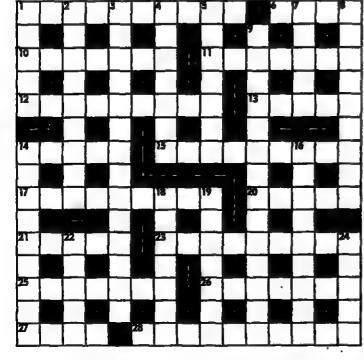
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Governor Clinton is running as a centrist and on some issues even 84 a center-right candidate. We suspect this is critical to his success -The Wall Street Journal

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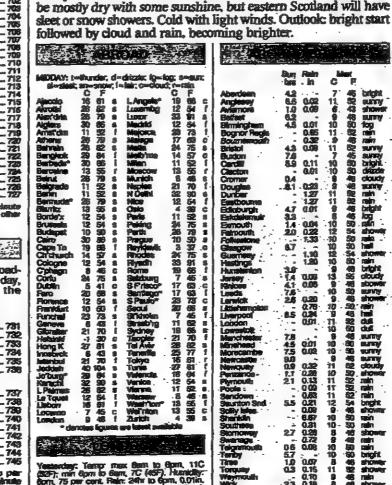
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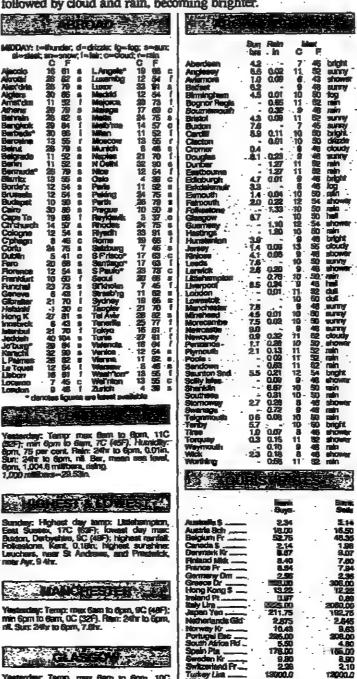


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- 12 Part of book about crime in Framley house (9).
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- 14 Persuade Italian to take severe criticism (3,2).
- 15 Long drink for a lady, rum with last of the lemonade (4.2,3).
- 17 Girl's inclined to be fat (9).
- 20 Takes part on and off, maybe (5).
- 21 Jones borrowing from Bernini? Goodness! 15).
- 23 Supporter at the back has tough assignment (5-4).
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- 27 Block a burrow (4). 28 Superb partnership has such an exciting finish (10).
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- philosopher (9). 3 The Duke of Gordon's finch (4,2,3.5).
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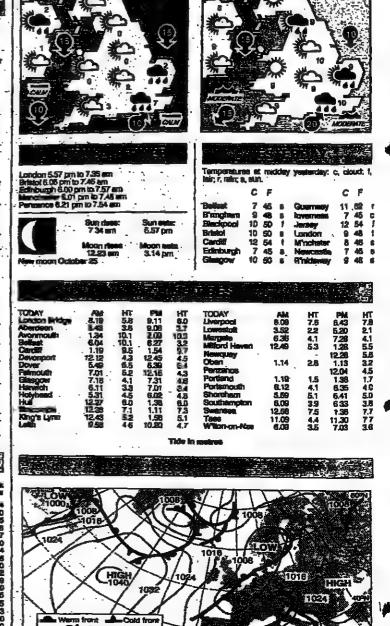
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Decision denies bank a City foothold

# Lloyds closes merchant bank division

By Neil Bennett

LLOYDS Bank is closing its merchant banking subsidiary and pulling out of corporate finance after a string of disappointing results. The closure marks the end of the bank's attempts to establish a foothold in the City.

The bank announced yesterday that it plans to wind down Lloyds Merchant Bank (LMB) over the next two years, with the loss of 50 jobs. The merchant bank's other operations will become part of the main commercial bank.

Lloyds investment Managers, which handles funds worth £7 billion, and Lloyds Bank Stockbrokers, the two most profitable businesses in the merchant bank, will become part of Lloyds' corporate banking and treasury division. Lleyds Development Capi-

tal, which suffered heavy losses in the first half of the year, is being merged into the commercial services division. The changes will take place early next year. LMB was

📕 Lloyds Bank is restructuring its operations after the failure of its bid

for Midland.

never an important contributor to group profits. In the first half this year it lost £14 million due to provisions in the development capital fund. Last year, it made £1 million.

The closure is further evidence of growing strains be-tween commercial banks and their merchant banking subsidiaries. The Royal Bank of Scotland is selling Charterhouse to a European consortium, while TSB Group is thought to be keen to sell Hill Samuel when it returns to

LMB made heavy losses in the late eightles when it expanded into gilts and Eurobond trading. Both these operations were closed in 1987 at an estimated loss of proved too fierce.

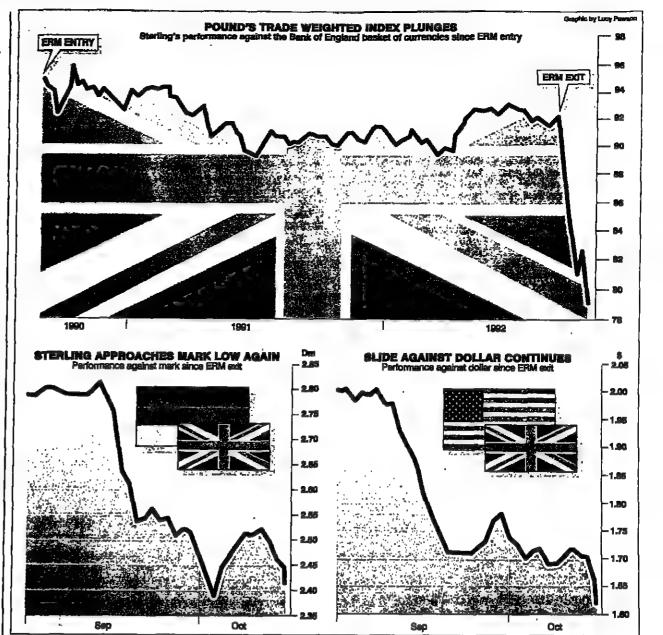
Lloyds said in a statement yesterday that LMB had decided that the corporate finance market is polarising into large firms and sma banks believe LMB can no longer compete in the market. The closure is a direct result

of the failure of the Lloyds offer for Midland, If the bank had succeeded, it would have merged LMB into Samuel Montagu, Midland's success ful merchant bank. The Lloyds bid for Midland was founded on the bank's belief that banking needs rationalisation. The planned merger would have created the most powerful financial institution in Britain but would have led to 1,000 branch closures and more than 20,000 job losses.

When Lloyds withdrew its conditional offer after the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank raised its bid, Sir Fremy Morse, the Lloyds chairman, said the bank would confinue to manage its own business LMB is part of Lloyds' process of weeding out underperform-

ing businesses and business its return on capital. Lloyds said last night that the closure did not affect the group's commitment to the corporate banking market.
We are improving the reporting lines of the business to consolidate them into the corporate market. The fact that we are continuing the opera-tions of Lloyds Development Capital even though it made a loss in the half year shows that we see it performing a useful long-term function."

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# Alarmed markets send pound plunging

THE pound plunged yester-day morning to the lowest level ever recorded by the Bank of England, as investors around the world expressed alarm about the political instability in Britain.

Although sterling recovered somewhat after Michael Heseltime, the trade secretary, announced his climbdown on the pit closures, several big investment managers feared the apparent U-turn in monetary and industrial policies BY ANATOLE KALETSKY AND GEORGE BROCK

might have come too late to revive the economy and save John Major's government. The pound's trade-weighted index closed at 79.5, 1.5 per cent down from Friday's close

of 80.7, and the lowest since the Bank started calculating the trade-weighted index in 1975. The previous low was 83.7, in October 1986. The steep fall came as the pound declined more than three cents against the dollar, to \$1.6287,

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DM2.4475 against the mark However, there was no sign of panic selling of sterling and several analysis reported healthy demand for pounds from commercial buyers and long-term investors when the exchange-rate dropped to-wards DM2.40 early in the

trading day. Analysts were almost unani-mous that another sharp cut in UK interest rates would soon follow Friday's unexpected one-point reduction. Accord-

ing to one leading investment manager, sterling was undermined not by the one-point cut in base rates but by the Treasury's "appalling timing and the political panic it clearly betrayed".

Despite the renewed volatility on the currency markets, the German government yesterday ruled out another realignment of the EC's exchange-rate mechanism when its managers meet in Berlin on

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Europe puts off foreign investors By Patricia Tehan UNCERTAINTY over the UK's commitment to Europe is

British stance on

discouraging American, Japa-nese and continental com-panies from investing here. The study, by Ernst & Young, the management consultant, says Japanese invest-ment is already falling as fears mount that the UK is projecting the wrong image and other European countries pull out the stops to attract inward investmenî , To date, the UK has attract-

ed more American and Japanese investment than any other European country. A third of American and Japanese investment in Europe, and 27 per cent of Japanese manufacturing plants in Europe, are in the UK. However, last year the UK's

share of new Japanese manufacturing plants slipped to 20 per cent. John Sirault, senior consultant at E&Y, gave warning yesterday that overseas investors, who have already decided to locate an office in the UK, are worried they will send out the wrong signals to potential customers in other European countries.

. David Rees, E&Y director, said he knows of about 10 companies which either have UK offices and are thinking of moving them or which have ruled out the UK "on the grounds of insufficient European commitment". E&Y's study, Regions of the New Europe, published today,

shows the UK is still highly rated as a site for a servicesector business. It says the single European market has allowed companies to discard the notion of the nation state and begin thinking Europewide for their markets and

regionally for their facilities.
The UK's advantages are its
"excellent" telecommunications, good supply of low-cost skilled labour, good air com-munications and the possibility of financial incentives.

Northern Ireland, Scotland, the north of England and the West Midlands are said to be attractive for greenfield manufacturing plants. Existing re-search and development sites and respected educational establishments in London Cambridge and Oxford make the South East a good location for a European R&D centre. Mr Sirault said firms must

choose between the higher productivity levels and higher labour costs of northern European countries and the low productivity, low labour costs of southern Europe. He said the UK "is halfway between the two".

The study shows which European regions are attractive for companies with particular requirements. Regions in the UK are attractive for all but energy-intensive manufac-turing. Regions of France, Denmark, The Netherlands, Belgium, Italy, and Norway are more attractive.

# **Building societies see** £264m cash outflow

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

year. During the first nine months building societies had a net inflow of just £81 million from savers.

The previous outflows were

in March, June and July. Last year, building society retail receipts totalled £5.8 billion. Adrian Coles, chief economist of the Building Societies Association, said the Septem-ber outflow was the result of withdrawals for the final pay-ment on the regional electric-

ity shares and new National Savings products.

Lending fell dramatically last month. Gross advances were down to £1.8 billion from £4.3 billion in August. Net new commitments were down 25 per cent, from £2.4 billion to £1.8 billion. Halifax Building Society is

BUILDING societies suffered an outflow of £264 million last month, the fourth outflow this year. During the first nine cember. The new rate of 9.29 per cent is immediate for new borrowers. The cut follows Friday's one-point base rate cut. Abbey National cut to 9.25 per cent, but also delayed its

reduction to December. The society's discounts for large loans and first-time buyers combine to give a rate of 6.9 per cent on loans above £100,000 where the first-time buyer has saved at least 10 per cent of the house price.

Halifax borrowers who have their payments adjusted annually will hear in February by how much their payments will be reduced from April. However, anyone who wants to cut payments earlier will be able to do so.

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# Crosswind that could ground Dan-Air

By HARVEY ELLIOTT ATR CORRESPONDENT

THE continuing attempts to free Dan-Air from the weight of its loss-making charter services and rebuild a viable airline based on its scheduled services has posed a fundamental question of competition for Britain's aviation indus-

try and government regulators.

If the plans now being discussed go ahead, British Airways would create a completely new airdine linking the best of its own Gatwick services with those of Dan-Air. The new airline would be based on, at most, the cost levels now operating within Dan-Air rather than the higher costs incurred by BA's competing service. That would provide BA with a much needed competitive edge to turn its own

European services from Gatwick into a genuinely profitable operation, significantly boost the number of flights and

ensure the long-term success of Gatwick as a "hub" airport. It would also mean

job losses at Dan-Air and BA and lower wages for many of those kept on as they are brought into line with BA's own regional operations.

The problem is that it will also enable BA to become the dominant carrier at both Gatwick and Heathrow, which appears to be against the government's competition philosophy.

The alternative, however, is that Dan-

Air disappears altogether, throwing 2,500 out of work directly and several thousand more in the Gatwick area. Already rivals such as Virgin Atlantic and British Midland are crying foul and calling for a referral to the monopolies commission and possibly the European competition directorate. Yet they have either made no move to rescue Dan-Air, or have examined its books and walked away. How is competition it to be created, therefore?

There is already far too much capacity in the charter market and scheduled services are losing money throughout the world. It is not, therefore, a time to set up a new airline or expand an existing one.

BA, virtually alone of all big carriers, is making healthy profits. It has cut costs and is trying to boost its Gatwick operation. If it is allowed effectively to merge with Dan-Air, it can continue that pressure on costs and may be expand.

What the government will have to decide is whether it is prepared for that to happen or whether it will insist on competition, even if nobody wants to provide it and thousands more airline

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# Give King Coal a chance to prove itself



UK pits can compete with gas given a level playing field, says

THE British coal industry is a tragic victim of our shameful mismanagement of energy policy, for which a succession of ministers shares responsibility. We are the only major European country endowed with abundant indigenous resources — built on coal and surrounded by oil and gas the largest potential for renewables and the first to harness

nuclear power Yet we now face the grim prospect of dependence on imported gas and coal, the shambles of a nuclear dream and higher energy costs over the next few years, which will handicap our industrial com-

petitiveness even further. The government has humhered us with the worst of both worlds. We have failed to provide the competitive markets in energy supply, which was the primary objective of privatising the state gas and electricity monopolies. Nor have we had an energy strategy.

Where we went wrong was in failing to privatise coal first, allowing it to improve its competitiveness in anticipation of a liberated electricity market. There would have been pit closures, but probably more new investment to compensate. The clean-coal burning technologies would now be applied commercially, as in Europe and America and

Peter Rost

productivity and competitive ness would have improved even more than the creditable achievement under British Coal's management The "dash for gas" could have been kept on a more moddesirability for some diversification and reduced emissions as required by our European commitment. Subsequently, the electricity industry should have been privarised with a less-flawed structure, with no opportunity for a duopoly to rig

the market and with tougher regulation to ensure the lowest-

cost fuel is used. So what can be salvaged now? Ministers insist there is no sensible alternative because coal costs too much, is overproduced and the generators prefer to burn "cheaper" gas. But have these dubious economics been put to the market test? Experts inside and outside British Coal claim many of the pits to be closed could, under private-sector management, produce coal at between £25 and £30 per tonne - a

competitive price.
Rather than sterilise half of what is left, why not allow the private sector to prove it? If generators are so convinced gas is cheaper, that too should be put to the market test. With 50 per cent over-capacity in



Black outlook today's miners are victims of many years of "shameful mismanagement" by energy ministers

not required until some of the existing coal-fired plant reaches the end of its life. That is not yet. Some of the gaspowered stations, those with earlier, attractive gas con-tracts, are competitive. But many others under construction or planned will not be. As gas prices inevitably rise over the next decade and UK coal becomes even more productive, the economics will move even more in favour of coal. In a genuinely competitive mar-ket, the dash for gas would not have happened. Coal would have had a level playing field,

retaining more of its share

from gas, and the 20 per cent

of nuclear electricity would have no buyers.

The regulator should announce now that coal-fired power stations, which the duopoly will want to scrap as the gas plants come on stream, will be offered to other operators who may wish to prove coal can underprice gas. Allowing generators to sterilise excess capacity that could generate lower-cost electricity, is anti-competitive.

In a real market, coal producers would surely fight. If generators preferred highercost gas rather than burn coal at about £25 a tonne, coal producers would want to take over power stations the generators wished to scrap. Coal would underprice most of the new gas-fired plants. More miners would not only keep their jobs but contribute to

national prosperity.

If the declared energy policy is liberalisation and competition, then let's have something nearer to it, allowing coal to compete on equal terms.

The mess we have instead is the direct result of an ineffecrive regime, correctly predicted by the now defunct Energy Select Committee in two reports on electricity privatisation and the future for coal.

If government had taken notice, coal could have been saved. It need not be too late.

What we need is genuine competition, with a guiding strategy that bears some relation-ship to macro-economic objectives and the longer-term national interest.

Surely the misguided deci-sion to decimate the coal industry must be deferred until a credible cost-benefit analysis is presented to Parliament - an essment that will look beyond this year's crisis management by the Treasury. Until April 1992, Peter Rost was a member of the Commons energy select committee

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# Trinity share dealing off to buoyant start

FIRST-time dealing in shares of Trinity Holdings, which designs and makes Dennis fire engines, buses and dustcarts, got off to a confident start despite the their of 300 share allocation letters from the Birmingham offices of Albert E. Sharp, the lead broker to the issue. The original white letters are valueless as the brokers have officially cancelled them and sent investors replacement green ones. Chris Haukley, corporate finance director at Albert E Sharp, said the letters disappeared on Friday after being sent by the company's registrars in Edinburgh. The Stock Exchange had been

Trinity announced on Friday that the offer to intermediaries had been oversubscribed 2.29 times. The sale raised £30 million; the shares opened at an 8p premium to the 120p offer price and ended the day at 129p.

# Baltic cuts dividend

BALTIC, the leasing and property group, has cut its interim dividend from 1.83p to 0.5p and given warning that the final is also under review. The company incurred pre-tax losses of £2.73 million for the six months to June 30, compared with £5.6 million profit last time. Thetrading improvement expected in March failed to materialise and Bakic sees no sign of a recovery this year. The deficit included an exceptional charge of £5.5 million. Losses were 6.5p a share, fully diluted, against earnings of 8. Ip.

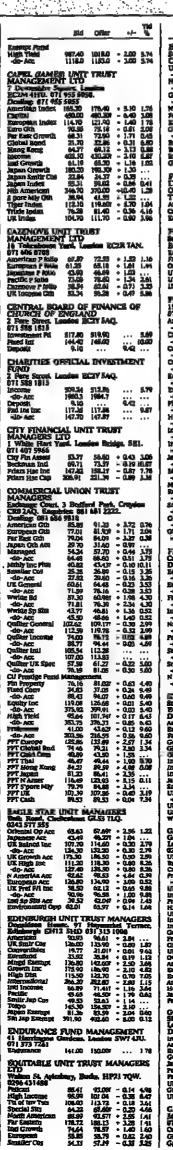
# Loss grows at Gieves

THE recession and exceptional losses combined to push Gieves Group, the publishing to clothing group that owns Gieves & Hawkes, deeper into the red at the half-year stage. Lower sales volumes and reduced margins in the UK saw pretax losses increase to £530,000 (£467,000 loss) in the six months to end-July. Turnover plunged to £10.1 million (£24.3 million). The loss climbed to 3.5p (3.3p) a share. There is again no interim dividend. The shares lost 2p to 23p.

# MY boosts profits

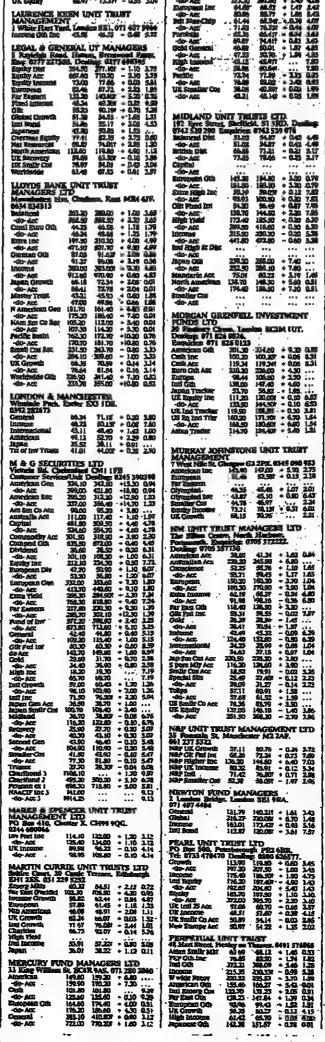
THE recovery continued at MY Holdings, the USM-quoted company, in which Malbak, the South African industrial group, has an 86 per cent stake. Pre-tax profits jumped to £2.02 million £547,000) in the year to end-August. Turnover dipped to £34.3 million £35.8 million) and earnings more than doubled to 3.41p (1.66p) a share. A final dividend of 0.75p (0.5p) a share is proposed, giving 1p (0.5p) for the year. The shares rose 3p to 38p.

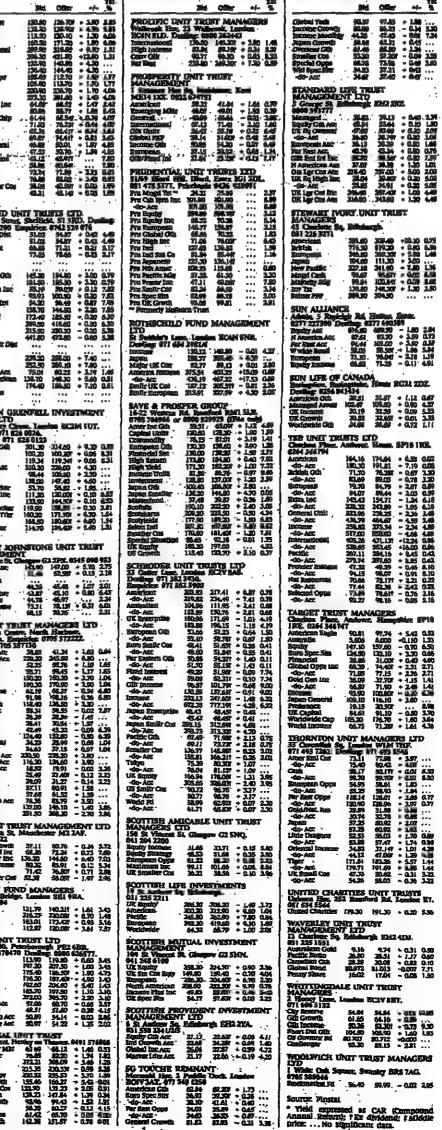
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Jobs and investment suffer as recession in capital deepens

LONDON is plunging deeper into recession, according to a **■** Unemployment grim quarterly survey from the in London is London Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The report shows that the rise in accelerating and investment is being unemployment is accelerating and investment is being slashed as domestic and ex-

port orders continue to slump.

285 firms in the survey, which employ nearly 200,000 people, reported a fall in staff

during the third quarter of the

year, while less than 11 per

cent of companies increased

their workforce. This is a

sharp deterioration from the

second quarter and the worst

figure since early last year.
The report confirms em-

ployment department figures

showing that the capital is

suffering badly from the rise

in unemployment. The de-partment's statistics show that

the jobless figures rose 5.3 per cent in London in the third

quarter, compared with an

average rise of 4:4 per cent in

More than a third of the

ing. One ht five manufacturing firms and a quarter of service businesses have cut back their investment plans, while less than 10 per cent are

increasing spending.

The cuts are being forced by a slump in orders. Thirty five per cent of service businesses said their domestic sales fell in the quarter, while only 25 per cent reported an increase. The manufacturing sector was even worse hit; 44 per cent of companies suffered a fall in domestic orders compared with a rise at 22 per cent. Export orders in both sectors

confidence."

The London Chamber of Commerce said the city's econ-omy remains critically weak. Simon Sperryn, the chamber's

expect to make further heavy cuts in the weeks before Christchief executive, said: 'The mas. Investment is also suffersurvey makes dispiriting read-Henry Boot builds

months, and says the September index is nearly 2 per cent By MARTIN WALLER below the figure for August. Much of the research pre-THE uncertainty over the work and tight margins. He said: "Action must be future of the mining industry dates the exit from the exis already having an impact on taken by the government to change-rate mechanism last Henry Boot & Sons, the Shefmonth and the accompanying stimulate the construction infield contractor and property dustry. There will never be a upheaval on currency margroup that has housebuilding better time to invest in the kets, but Richard Hyman, the Verdict managing director, says the results of the survey operations in affected areas country's infrastructure than

such as Doncaster and Mansfield. The interim dividend is A call for government action raised from 1.5p to 1.6p. Mr to boost the construction in-Boot said the figures were encouraging, but the business climate was too unstable for dustry has accompanied halfyear figures that show the meaningful predictions for the company is keeping its head full year to be possible.

up interim profit

Henry Boot, which had a Mr Boot said property in-vestment and development £14.6 million cash pile st. its... December 31 year end, saw had had to be curtailed, alpre-tax profits edge ahead to though progress had been £2.21 million £2.07 million in made in planning consents, in the six months to June 30, rental growth and property

Housing completions were slightly ahead of last year, but prices and margins had fallen. But the prospect of much of the mining industry closing was depressing interest in new housing in areas affected. The



Company doctor: Christopher Stainforth will advise the group on expansion

# Stainforth joins ailing Regal

By MATTHEW BOND AND JON ASHWORTH

CHRISTOPHER Stainforth, the corporate financier acquitted of fraud charges earlier this year in connection with the Blue Arrow affair, is

turning company doctor.

He is joining the board of Regal Hotels, a USM-quoted group that has been struggling to overcome financial troubles. The company's main trading subsidiary was placed in limitation 1991, and two of its hotels

Mr Stainforth, a former director of corporate finance at UBS Phillips & Drew, was acquitted of conspiracy to defraud in February at the end of the Blue Arrow trial.

went into receivership.

He has been appointed a nonexecutive director of Regal, to advise on expansion plans. He said the group aimed to acquire three- to four-star

hotels in towns and cities outside London and might move into the continent. A change of name is planned. Mr Stainforth was one of three board appointments that accompanied news of a

£800,000 rights issue and details of voluntary arrangement the company hoped to agree with its creditors. Regal's shares were suspended at 3p last month, pending ciarification of the group's financial position. Sharehold-

ers are offered 15 new shares at 5 p for every existing share. Creditors are being offered £70,000 in new shares, equivalent to 10p per pound owed. The other new directors are Keith Goldie-Morrison and Mark Williamson-Noble. George Hill steps down as

Long-delayed results for the year to December 29, 1991. £844,000 but an attributable profit of £6.75 million after a £7.6 million extraordinary gain. In the six months to July 12. Regal made a pre-tax loss of £663,000. An extraordinary meeting has been called for November 9.

# Clients of failed Manx bank may get £5,000

expected to meet today to decide whether to approve exgratia payments of £5,000 each to 3,000 depositors who lost a total of £42 million when the Savings and Investment Bank collapsed 10 years ago. The level of the proposed

payments has angered depositors, who have been pressing for full compensation and interest for losses suffered. The Chadwick report into the debacle, published in September after six years of legal delays, painted a damning picture of lax and inefficient banking supervision in the years lead-

ing up to the crash.

The Manx government is meeting to debate a £4.45 million ex grana compensation scheme. If it is approved. depositors who placed £10,000 with the bank will get 50 per cent of their money back. Depositors have had a return of 27.5p in the pound from liquidators and a further small payment is likely early

next year. The controversial fraud trial of eight men involved in the bank's collapse was abandoned in April 1990 because of the eight-year delay in bringing the prosecution. The affair has cost the Manx government £11 million so far, including court and legal

Robert Killin, former managing director of the failed bank, received a suspended jail sentence earlier this month after being convicted of conspiracy to defraud. The case against him centred on a

fraudulent land deal. The Chadwick report on the bank's collapse found that Manx treasury officials had failed to monitor the bank and had allowed it to trade for at least 16 months while insolvent. It found that warnings of insolvency had gone unheed-ed, returns had not been analysed by the treasury and

the bank had been allowed to deal in contravention of rules. Tim Beer, of KPMG Peat

JSLE of Man officials are Marwick, and Michael Jordan, of Cork Gully, the inspectors who assisted Mr Chadwick, found no record at the Manx Treasury of analyses or comment on the bank's quarterly returns.

The report also referred to "funny money" deals carried out by Peter Duncan, the treasury official responsible for supervision at the time of the

The Manx government has never admitted liability for the collapse. In 1989, the banks's depositors took their case to the Privy Council - the ultimate court of appeal for the Isle of Man - which ruled that the government had no legal duty of care towards

# Bid to curb wrongful trading

POOR management is still the main reason for company failures, according to a report that proposes measures to curb wrongful trading.

The report, by the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, suggests setting up a regulatory body to control the entry, training and con-duct of directors. Other measures include supervisory boards to monitor directors and a minimum capital requirement for private firms.

# Bio-Tech trials

British Bio-Technology Group's Aids treatment vaccine has been recommended by Niaid, the US government agency, for dinical trials.

### Chevron deal

Chevron has agreed to sell its one-third interest in the Collabuasi copper district joint venture in Chile to Minorco

# **US and Britain in talks** to liberalise air services

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH and American 20vernment negotiators today begin the second round of talks aimed at liberalising transatlantic air services with the success of the proposed British Airways investment in USAir hanging on

£750,000.

David Boot, the chairman,

said that while construction.

had benefited from settle-

ments of earlier claims against

clients in the first half, the

business was suffering from reduced enquiry levels for new

Although British Airways maintains the deal falls outside normal bi-lateral agreements, the British transport department and its US counterparts have accepted that it is inextricably linked. The British side tabled proposals in Washington this month that would have allowed American carriers gradually to obtain greater freedom to fly to.

within and beyond Europe from British airports, provided the deal was approved and foreign airlines were able to take a bigger stake in US

United, American and Del-

ta, the big three American carriers, put pressure on their negotiators to reject the deal and demand unfettered access to Heathrow and beyond immediately. Indications are that the American government team has now accepted the principle of "phasing".

The three claim that if the BA/USAir deal goes ahead as

planned they would lose \$520 million a year in revenue and jobs may be lost.

# Shipping venture sinks Quadrant into red

A DISASTROUS foray into the world of shipping has sent Quadrant Group, the photo and video equipment distributor, crashing into the red in the first half.

are consistent both with pub-

lished economic statistics and

anecdotal evidence on the

high streets.
There has been no massive

difference since last month,

and the trend is still down-

wards — I would expect Octo-

ber's figures to be down.

By area, the South East has

been hardest hit, including a fall in planned house pur-

badly hit as any. Vertica concludes that, for the country

as a whole, September's fall in

purchasing intentions was en-

tirely due to declining confi-dence on the part of male

consumers, with car purchases

In March last year, Quad-rant bought two liquefied pe-troleum gas vessels from the family company of Robbie Brothers, a businessman based in Hong Kong who took a near-16 per cent stake in the company and became chairman and chief executive. Mr Brothers has resigned, his shares have been cancelled, and the company is pulling out of shipping at an excep-tional cost of £3.6 million. Quadrant will make about

£1.1 million from the cancellation of Mr Brothers' stake. But it is left with a pre-tax loss of £4.8 million (£940,000 profit) in the six months to end-August. The shares have crashed from £1.40 at the time of the shipping deal to about 20p. Lord Rees of Goytre succeeded Mr Brothers as chairman in August. Andrew Douglas has been appointed chief executive officer and Vincent Ashe is the new finance director. The reorganised board is seeking to return the group to profitability. Turnover increased to £28.8

million (£26.4 million). There is a loss of 16.85p (2.04p earnings) a share, and no interim dividend (1.65p).
The withdrawal from shipping and a reorganisation

gave rise to an exceptional charge of £3.6 million. In addition, there is an extraordinary charge of £8.2 million, of which £7.5 million relates to the writedown of the value of

the two ships.

Steps are planned to integrate the video and processing divisions at Leeds into a single commercial products and services division based in Coventry. Trading results show little prospect of improvement in

# BRITSH FUNDS

THE yield curve developed a twist in its tail as investors again began switching out of the longer end of the market

The short end was sporting gains of aboaut £4 as investors started looking for the next cut in bank base rates to about 7 per cent in the not too distant future. Exchequer 9% per cent 1998 rose seven ticks to finish at £10813/32. Brokers report there are now a number of issues with redemption yields of less than 7 per cent creating a dramatic steepening of the curve.

But there was little joy for the longer end of the market, with prices falling about £12 as investors expressed continued concern about the deteriorating economic situation while criticising the government's handling of the pit closures. In longs, Treasury 9 per cent 2012 fell £122/16.

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# National Westminster Bank Interest Rates

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5.44% 5.16% 4.78% 4.41%	Diamond Reserve 1 Month Notice £50,000 and above £25,000 - £49,999 £10,000 - £24,999 £2,000 - £9,999	7.25% 6.875% 6.375% 5.875%	7.50% 7.10% 6.56% 6.04%
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3.00% 2.63% 2.25% 2.06% 1.88%	First Reserve Instant Access £1,000 and above £500 - £999 £250 - £499 £100 - £249 £0 - £99	4.00% 3.50% 3.00% 2.75% 2.50%	4.063 3.55% 3.033 2.78% 2.52%
2.72% 2.63%	Investment Account 6 Months' Notice# 3 Months' Notice# Monthly Income	3.625% 3.50%	3.66°3.53°
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# City's conundrum over a brand new art form

industry, deciding whether brand valuations suit bidder or prey is like seeking the answer to which came first, the

chicken or the egg.
Valuing brands in a systematic way is a relatively new artform developed from efforts by Rowntree, endeavouring to fight the onslaught from Suchard and Nestle. The theory was to stop bidders cheaply acquiring intangible assets that may not even appear in a balance sheet. A trigger for the interest in brands was the ease with which Lord Hanson dismembered Imperial Group in 1986. For a net outlay of £197 million he won and kept Imperial Tobacco which made £240 million last year.

Now he has turned his attention to Ranks. Hovis McDougall. According to its balance sheet, it is worth 300p a share, including the £608 million of brand valuations taken into the balance sheet in November 1988. Lord Hanson has bid only 220p a share or £780 million. Analysts think Hanson could sell nonbaking businesses, such as Sharwoods and Mr Kipling's cakes, and keep baking with sales of £500 million and £30 million profits at the bottom of the cycle for nothing.

RHM has still to convince the market of its value. Its own demerger plans, a split into bread, cakes and groceries, has still left the shares at 246p. But what of the other companies who employ brand values in their balance sheets? remember RHM's brand valuation is unusual in



Brand news: UB chief executive Eric Nicoli, left, with Robert Clarke, centre, and John Warren, finance director

that it values self-generated brands, not just those acquired. Second, RHM adopted brand valuations before the present bread war dented profits. Third, it is becoming apparent recession dents brand values.

Robert Clarke, the chair-man, has £147 million of brands in United Biscuits' balance sheet. It is engaged in a re-run of the American cookie war in its Keebler business. Cadbury Schweppes

has £308 million of brands and despite recession seems to be putting up a resilient performance.

Higher up the brand league is Reckitt & Colman, still growing well with £587 million of brands in its balance sheet. Top of the league is Grand Metropolitan with £2,464 million of brands such as Smirnoff, Pillsbury, Green Giant and Burger King. Grand Met's brand valuations differ from RHM's in that

they arise from acquisitions, or from aggression rather than defence. This makes a big proportion of shareholders funds of £3,454 million. Net debt was £2,591 million.

Without brand valuations Grand Met is horrendously geared. But trading profit of £1.07 billion covered interest payments of £171 million many times over for the year to end-September 1991. Admittedly analysts expect lower profits for the year to Septem-

ber on weaker American and British economies. But perhaps in the present environment brands generating strong cash flow are to be cherished. Not many years ago bricks and mortar looked

### Storehouse

THE departure of Habitat from the Storehouse stable may mark the final unwinding of the grand stategy of Sir

casting provisions of more than £2 billion. Laing, along

with several other brokers, is

predicting a cut in the divi-

dend. Capel expects the divi-

British Airways fell 4p to 294p as UBS Phillips & Drew.

stockbroker, cut its pre-tax

profits forecast for the current

year by £30 million to £370

million and by £50 million to

32p amid revived fears that

First-time dealings in Tria-

the group may be left out of

dend to be maintained.

argue against a disposal on economic grounds. Store-bouse is widely viewed in the market as well into recuvery mode, but that perception has been delayed by a poor performance from Habitat itself.

Sir Terence's vision was of a diversified retail conglomerate; David Dworkin, now chief executive, is happier with two profitable business-es, BhS and Mothercare, a change of tack epitomising the difference between the expansion-minded 1980s and cash-strapped 1990s.

in profit terms, a post-Habitat Storehouse that had also divested itself of the Richards clothing chain would not look too different. Julie Ramshaw at Morgan Stanley thinks Storehouse could break even when it reports interim figures next month and should make \$40 million of pre-tax profits for the year to end-March, while Habitat will contribute £3-£4 million of losses, down from £8.8 million last year.

Those losses have arisen in the weaker summer trading season, and the trend continues downwards. An eventual disposal along the expected lines, of the French and British operations for £50 million while the American side is shut down at a cost of £25-£30 million, would wipe out Storehouse's already negligible gearing. The shares sell on 22 times this year's earnings and 15 times' 1993's and despite these high multiples can expect further progress if the disposals are confirmed.

group that owns the London

Dungeon, also made a posi-

tive start in first-time trading

with the price opening at 50p compared with the original

placing price of 45p. The shares later settled at 47 p,

Henry Boot, the construc

British Steel eased 4p to 60p

per cent of the company,

placed the shares at 60p. By

the close, a total of 40 million

shares had changed hands.

up 24p on the day.

New York — American blue chips recorded small losses in morning trading, pressured by lower bond prices. Investors were skittish as companies continued to flood the market with quarterly earnings reports. Buying interest was scattered and selective, with most in companies with in-line or better than forecast

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 9.45 points at

3,183.86 in mid-morning trading. Declining shares took nearly a two-to-one lead over advancing shares.

advanting shares.

Tolsyn — Stocks fell sharply and the Nikkei avererage stumped 466 points or 2.68 per cent to 16,903.81, ending below 17,000 for the first time

since August 26.

| Frankfurt — The DAX index gained 17.46 points, to a close of 1,479.07, its strongest finish since October 1.



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# STOCK MARKET

# Goldman's ICI stake may be on the move

GOLDMAN Sachs, the US securities house, may have started disposing of its sizeable holding in ICI, which it acquired from Hanson earlier

A line of 2.5 million ICI shares went through the market last night at 995p. The

Lucas Industries recovered an square at 99p after going ex the final dividend of 4.9p. It is now regarded as vulnerable to a bid with BTR, up 2p at 480p, TI Group, down 3p at 286p, and Mannesmann of

seller was believed to be Goldman. But by the close of business last night, only 4 million shares had been recorded on the computerised trading system and brokers

holding resurfaces. Goldman bought 20 million ICI shares belonging to Hanson in May, at about £14. It sold half to its clients and kept the balance on its own book. Fortunately, Goldman hedged its position on both the futures and options markets, enabling it to offset a considerable trading

ICI continued to reel from by Smith New Court and County NatWest, closing 24p down at £10.03. Analysts are worried that next week's thirdquarter figures will reveal a further deterioration in profitability. There is also a question mark over the group's ability to pay a final dividend.

The rest of the equity market made a hesitant start to the new two-week trading account, with investors anxiously monitoring the latest setback for the pound against the mark on the foreign exchange.

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markdown helped by an absence of sellers. Turnover remained low with only 412 million shares traded. The FT-SE 100 index, down more than 21 points first thing, ended 1.7 easier at 2,562.2.

Barclays Bank feli 16p to 301p as James Capei, the stockbroker, followed last

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Lyonnais Laing and turned its the current year of £354 milhon into a loss of £155 million. It says the group is expected to make bigger than expected provisions, which will wipe out earlier hopes of a modest profit. Some analysts are fore-

week's lead from rival Credit

ity Holdings, the bus and fire engine maker, got off to a confident start with the shares opening at 128p compared. with the original offer price of 120p. The price ended the day at 129p, a premium of 9p. Trinity was the subject of a management buyout of Hestair's engineering division in 1989. Vardon, the leisure

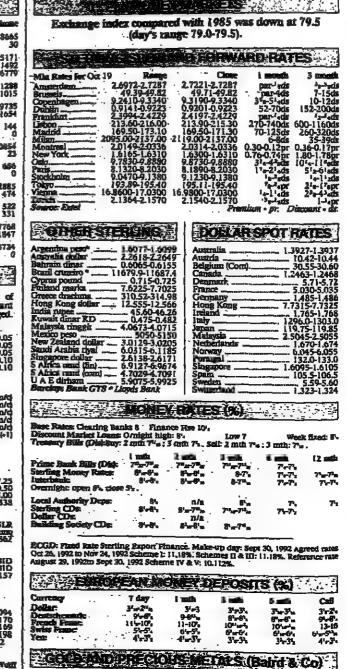
tion group, firmed 5p to 180p after half-year figures showed pre-tax profits 7 per cent higher at £2.21 million, despite reporting an £8 million. enturn in turnover. MICHAEL CLARK

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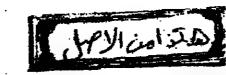
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# Lloyds bites yet another bullet

loyds Merchant Bank, which lost £14 million in the first half of the year, did not attempt to I hide its dilemma from head office. To win business in a shrunken and polarised corporate finance market, merchant banks either have to have big resources of management, and preferably capital, or they should be niche advisers relying on the special expertise and connections of high-profile individuals. Medium-sized players within the relative anonymity of a big banking organisation were not likely to make a lot of money, even when the business climate improved. The reaction of Brian Pitman, the chief executive who has made Lloyds a byword for avoiding me-too corporate expansion, was predictable. In practical terms, Lloyds Merchant Bank will soon be no more.

That response was typical but the dilemma is much more general. Royal Bank of Scotland is close to selling Charterhouse, a much bigger operation than LMB, with strong specialities in buyouts and venture capital. TSB would like to do the same at Hill Samuel if it thought there would be genuine buyers before the debris of past mistakes is cleared up. National Westminster had high a significant part of the statement Westminster had high ambitions at one time. It therefore lost a lot of money in the aftermath of the Stock Exchange reforms while Lloyds had barely stuck its toe in the water before withdrawing. Having suffered the additional embarrassment of the Blue Arrow affair, NatWest has already taken a similar line to Lloyds, bringing its merchant bank business into mainstream banking divisions while retaining a vestige of the corporate finance capability that the more brutal Lloyds will shed.

LMB had a personality of its own and did not shirk involvement in daring and occasionally hopeless cases such as the European consortium bid for Westland. Its closure will make little immediate impact on Lloyds but amplifies the increasingly pressing question of where Britain's most profitable bank can go from here. Lloyds is good at shrinking to maximise returns on capital. Its aftempts at expansion, exemplified by the ill-considered bid for Midland, have thus far seemed unimaginative.

# Savers strike

uilding societies are finding falling interest Frates almost as embarrassing as coping with 15 per cent base rates. The heavy outflow in September makes a wretched nine months in which they have attracted only £81 million net, compared with an inflow of £5.8 billion for the whole of 1991. To keep the money flowing, they are also having to rely more on money markets than on individuals, who are being woord by National Savings.

This loss of momentum matters less when lending business is slack but shows they are not juggling the competing requirements of savers, borrowers and stretched balance sheets too successfully. The societies want to keep rates down to drum up business and he politically correct. At the same time, they need to unwind some of the loss leader deals they cooked up gross margins, they need to widen them to cope with heavy arrears of morigage interest payments, not made any easier by recent efforts to hold fire on

repossessions to help stabilise house prices. That puts savers at the end of the queue, especially the loyal small savers who traditionally gave the societies their edge. Last time base rates fell, savers took the brunt of the societies' drive to widen their margins. This pattern looks likely to be repeated. If the societies are not to lose ground in the long run, they will need to protect their retail savings base rather than follow the same ultimately sterile path pursued by the high street banks when they lost out to the societies in the savings market.

# Clinton roadshow drifts towards the trap of Fortress America

The Democratic

contender for the US presidency is unlikely to offer any fresh New

> Dealism, writes Colin Narbrough

merica appears convinced that it is time for change in the White House, especially

on the economic policy front, if the pollsters are right about the lead Bill Clinton, the Democratic contender, commands in the run-up to the presidential election on Nov Mr Clinton is certainly out to put

the focus back on jobs for Americans with a stimulative fiscal package, a policy that has untold appeal to voters, at a time when the indicators suggest the American economy is starting to dip again after a long and unconvincing climb out of recession. Yet, for all the policy gaps still to be filled in, a Climton presidency promises to be a far cry from the New Deal of Franklin D Roosevelt.

It should, however, change some of the assumptions about the government's role, moving it away from the philosophy of Reaganomics espoused by the Republican administrations of the eighties. Many Americans are fed up with trickle down. The failure of supply side economics to restore budget balance, or prevent the long-est and deepest recession since the thirties, was natural justification for more pragmatic policies. President Bush has been less dogmatic, but has been ineffectual in coaxing Americans into a more confident mood.

There will be no need to read the presidential lips about taxation: Mr Clinton has already gone loud and clear on his readiness to resort to tax hikes, if judged necessary. Ronald Reagan's view that the best public sector economics was no public sector economics will be swapped for Mr Clinton's "aggressive jobs programme". But that does not mean Mr Clinton wants a return to porkbarrel politics or to enlarge the importantly, Mr Clinton's economic machinery of government. On the advisers come mainly from Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of ive agencies capable of delivering contrary, he favour compact, effective agencies capable of delivering in the Massachusetts Institute of its agencies capable of delivering in the Massachusetts Institute of its agencies capable of delivering in the Massachusetts Institute of its agencies. bureaucracy.
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1946 gave flesh to the main lesson of the New Deal era: that a modern economy needs effective public economics to create the foundation that the private sector needs to put the economy on a sustained path of growth and prosperity. The Act contributed to the powerful performance of the American economy in subsequent decades, a development assisted by Washington's good sense to promote the Marshall Plan, the new world monetary order of Bretton Woods and the principle, if not the practice, of free trade.

As a child of the post-war age, Mr Clinton is no hostage to the Demo-



crais' policy response to the great depression. But, like Roosevelt, he wants to correct the neglect of the change. But the correction must be effected without reviving the excesses of government that have, in the past, damaged growth. As one New York economist said, a Clinton administration will deliver "New Dealish energy, but without the baggage".
Importantly, Mr Clinton's economic
advisors come mainly from Harvard
and the Massachusetts Institute of of the Reagan-Bush years.

will prove difficult for any president, Democrat or Republican. Alan Greenspan, the canny chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, made clear in remarks last week that the Fed might have run out of road, as far. as monetary easing is concerned. With the discount rate at 3 per cent, its lowest for 29 years, after a long cycle of easing. Mr Greenspan is reluctant to cut again this side of the November 3 election. The concerns he voiced about the scope of monetary policy to lift economies, not just America, suffering from unprece-dented asset price deflation and a huge debt overhang, supported the

increasingly accepted view among Wall Street economists that recovery this time will be much slower than after previous recessions. It could be that Mr Greenspan was diplomatically putting off the next rate cut until after the election, so as not to seem partisan. The downward momentum shown in the most recent economic data points to a very weak fourth quarter and undermines the prospects for a pickup in the first half of

ith current fiscal policy

ed to act as a restraint to growth next spring, and weakening trend, America will struggle to maintain the 1.5 per cent growth rate seen over the past 18 months, a rate insufficient to boost employment. The fourth quarter looks likely to be the weakest since the end of 1991, when the economy grew 0.6 per cent. Manufacturing output is already being scaled back. Consurrer confidence is falling again and any temporary boost that followed Hurricane Andrew in August has all but blown itself out. Inflation is no problem. The ultimate size of Mr Clinton's fiscal boost will, of course, depend on the precise state of the economy when he takes office in

January. The actual package would probably not be in place until the end of the first quarter. On present readings, he is likely to go for a rather modest initial package worth about \$30 billion, or 0.5 per cent the gross domestic product. Much more than that would run the risk of sacrificing budget control, even though a Democrat-dominated Congress would probably allow budget balancing requirements to be set aside. Given that simultaneous Democrat control of the White House and Congress have usually pushed up the deficit, Mr Clinton will be forced to build up market confidence to avoid interest

Last week, the markets took fright at the prospect of a Clinton victory. Long-term interest rates rose disturbingly. Mr Clinton immediately sought to assuage market fears. declaring that he would not increase the budget deficit of more than \$300 billion. His economic planners bope to maximise public sector resources by accelerating spending programmes and introducing a targeted investment tax credit that would provide stronger incentives for com-

panies that bite early. The total fiscal

stimulus over four years is expected to

amount to a maximum of \$200

billion. Only half the budget deficit

their views.

a-year leeway for increased public investment in roads, bridges and other infrastructure schemes, education, training and research. Mr Clinton has said repeatedly

would be cut over the same period.

with the timing based on the strength

of the economy, leaving a \$50 billion-

that he does not want to be judged solely by the budget deficit, hardly a statement designed to instil confi-dence in his public spending plans. But his argument has been consistently that quick cuts into the deficit could put the economy at risk. While his revenue estimates have been criticised as over-optimistic, few economists doubt that growth would be almost half a point stronger, at about 2.4 per cent, next year under a Clinton administration than they would be if President Bush was re-elected. But not all of the Clinton camp's plans are perceived as growthwealthy and on foreign companies, while lowering them for America's middle classes could also backfire. For companies in which foreign ownership is more than 25 per cent. Washington would raise extra taxes of \$45 billion over the next four years.

ritish investors, in particular, would be on the receiving end. The impact on growth, in states counting inward investment, of a proposed end to tax breaks could be serious. Senator Albert Gore's enthusiasm for environment taxes could act as a disincentive to investment, although his "greenness" is likely to be reined back. President Bush has sought to inject fresh momentum into the world trade talks, hoping for a preelection triumph on free trade. He has also focused attention on the North America free trade pact with Mexico and Canada. But his championing of free trade has a hollow ring at a time when America has boosted export subsidies to wheat farmers.

Yet exports, in spite of the cheap dollar, have failed to sustain the growth hoped for, largely a reflection of the shuggish state of the world economy. The concern about open markets and rising exports is justified, for without the export growth it has had, the American recession would have been twice as severe. Mr Clinton has not been enticed into endorsing Mr Bush's stance on free trade pacts. On the contrary, he has encouraged the idea that he is not prepared to sign deals that fail to deliver a "fair deal" for American producers. Mexico has been alarmed by noises coming from the Clinton team that suggest that poor environ-mental and working conditions in Mexico will distort cross-border trade and drive industry south aross the Rio Grande, costing Americans jobs and output

Not that Mr Clinton wants a Fortress America. Rather, he wants to win the union vote this side of the election and be free to secure changes afterwards. The rest of the world can only hope that President Clinton does not find himself unable to shed his protectionist mantle.

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### Open book on Downing St duo

IF JOHN Major and Nor-man Lamont had hoped that their most recent base rate reduction would win them friends in the City, then they are in for an empleasant surprise. Stock market traders, who would never allow party politics or sentimentality to influence their view of a market, have been "selling" both men via IG Index, bookmaker to the City, in the belief that neither will be in their present job come March 31. David Morrison, the man behind the book at IG Index, says he has been shocked by the weight of money being wagered "and all of it one way". He says that whilst Lamont's position was "a bit of a worry" when betting began on September 28 — it hit a low point with the favourite exit date being December 20 and then rallied marginally - Major's pos-ition, at first, looked reasonably safe. In recent days, however, his perceived lifespan as prime minister "has fallen drastically. The position for both of them now looks desperate". "There are either a lot of very hard-hearted people out there or people are very cheesed off," Morrison condudes.

# **Bowled over**

THE MCC does not usually allow corporate entertainment in the hallowed Long Room at Lords but it is making an exception tonight for Colin Ingleby-Mackenzie, chairman of Holmwoods, the schools in-of Holmwoods, the schools in-do the same for any Hamp-surance firm. Ingleby-Mac-shire captain," Ingleby-Mac-

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been lower - it's their fourth closing down sale" kenzie, 59, spent his first six years at Holmwoods, between 1958 and 1964, captaining Hampshire, fitting in visits to schools before 11 am when County matches began. Still a much-loved figure in cricket, he feels it is only appropriate therefore that he should mix cricketing and insurance friends at the party to celebrate Holmwoods £33 million buyout from Brown Shipley this summer. "Cricket has been a very good calling card," he says. The guests will include David Coleridge, Lloyd's chairman, cricket star, Dennis Compton, as well as MCC president, Dennis Silk, former warden of Radley. Hampshire will also be well represented. Among Holmwoods' directors, Ingleby-Mackenzie says. is Nick Pocock, another ex-Hampshire captain, who was similarly given carte blanche to pursue his captaincy while working for Holmwoods. "I'd

kenzie admits. "As far as l'm concerned they're all stars."

# Smith arrives

Smith, UBS Phillips & Drew's former head of research, resurfaced yesterday at Collins Stewart, a firm formed 16 months ago by four ex-Simon & Coates men. The firm, 51 per cent owned by Singer & Friedlander has also offered a job to Smith's one-time banking team partner David Poutney, a specialist in merchant banks and other financials. "We do have about half a dozen corporate clients, but none of them are in the banking sector," says Leigh Collins, one of the founders. "Lloyds Bank is not going to appoint us as its broker tomorrow and so problems of conflict are not going to arise. What is more, our institutional clients respect Terry's stance." The arrival of Smith and Poutney will compensate Collins Stewart for the non-arrival of Nick Whitney. who had been expected to join ten days ago. After more detailed talks, Whitney, also ex-Simon & Coates, where he was part of its top ranked engineering research team, and Citicorp, has decided not to accept the offer. "In the final analysis there was a difference in emphasis on what his role was going to be," says Collins. "But there were no argu-

# Water-borne

TALK about appropriate names - a corporate directory, for use in the offices of Northumbrian Water, one of the ten privatised water com-

ments. We are all still friends."

panies, shows its employees include Pamela Waters, an accountant, a production director called John Pool, a recreation manager called Dr Chris Spray, distribution adviser Steve Tinkler and a consultant by the name of Dr Anne Starling who is busy counting ducks on Northumbrian's res-ervoirs. "Appropriateness of name is not a qualification for employment here," the firm's PR manager says, before re-vealing he is Andrew Panting. "I used to work for Southern Water and my name was even more appropriate then as my prime responsibility was to publicise the drought."

Video player DAVID Davis, aged 56, a former Times journalist, who, until three months ago was a London-based vice president of Daniel J. Edeleman, the largest privately owned PR firm in the world, has landed a new job as vice chairman-Europe of Medialink, a distributor of video news releases and satellite media tours to television newsrooms. Medialink, launched in 1986. and headquartered in New York, already deals with 40 per cent of all television newsrooms in Europe. "There is already evidence that the video news release, the satellite media tour and video teleconferencing will become standard features of public relations programmes in Europe as more consultancies and client companies begin to recognise the power and cost-efficient communications benefit of

television," says Davis. CAROL LEONARD of time before the UK passes Knutsford, Cheshire.

# BUSINESSTETTERS

### Pension law committee is anxious to hear scheme members' views that their pension entitlements From Professor Ray Goode fit into the structure of the

Sir, I can assure Mr Campion (Letters, October 13) that the Pension Law Review Committee is very alive to the concerns of members of occupational pension schemes and anxious to have their views.

At the press conference to launch our Consultation Document, I said: "Millions of retire. It is vitally important

people rely on occupational pensions to provide them with a secure income when they that they should know their pension rights, that they should be fairly treated and

effort to explain the issues and to provide background materireader, and our document makes it clear that we welcome

number of key questions. But we have made every

should be properly secured."
The Consultation Docu-

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because of the intricacies of

pension schemes and the pen-

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of the existing law and the

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the next two months, be holding three public hearings in Birmingham, Edinburgh and London - and each hearing will be given over almost entirely to scheme members and others present to make known their view-

Consultation Document. In addition, announce-

ments have been made in the

national press extending an open invitation to all those

interested in occupational

pensions to write to us with

Moreover, we shall, during

points and concerns and to raise issues for our consideration.

All views expressed to us, whether orally or in writing. will be carefully considered when we come to prepare our report and make our recommendations to the Secretary of State

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Yours faithfully, ROY GOODE, Chairman, Pension Law Review Committee, Vincent House. Vincent Square.

# Clients' VAT gives businesses added credit

From Mr I. Montgomery Sir, Mr Gray (Letters, October 13) is taking a very selfish attitude as he has not appreciated the simple basis of VAT collection in that we, the public, hand over to him the 17.5 per cent VAT with no credit whatsoever. Business is gaining a decided advantage in having to complete a VAT return every three months, with a further month to pay, so perhaps we, the public should equally be entitled to credit.

It is not for the government to provide further extension of credit when the public share-

holders of the government are being denied any semblance of equity from business. All businesses are on the

same footing and no business should depend for its finance on VAT paid by its customers. VAT has to be paid, be it this month or the next; it is an ilhistori to want to put it off that bit further, unless it were to be put off altogether. But, of course, we know pigs don't fly. Yours faithfully, I MONTGOMERY, Birchbank.

Loch Oire, Elgin, Moray.

Drury Lane.

# Compensation needed for collecting taxes

From Mr David Harrop, Sir, Jonathon Sumption (Business Letters, October 15) is fined £6,400 for being eight days late with his VAT. The average small business owner is paid about 51 days late yet is denied the automatic right to collect interest on overdue debt by the very same government that uses swingeing penalties to buily honest

traders like Mr Sumption.

We believe it is only a matter

an "interest on debts" law. In the meantime shouldn't private businesses be compensated for collecting taxes on behalf of the government? On Mr Sumption's experience, they might even be entitled to "danger money". Yours faithfully, David Harrop, The Forum of Private Business. Ruskin Chambers,

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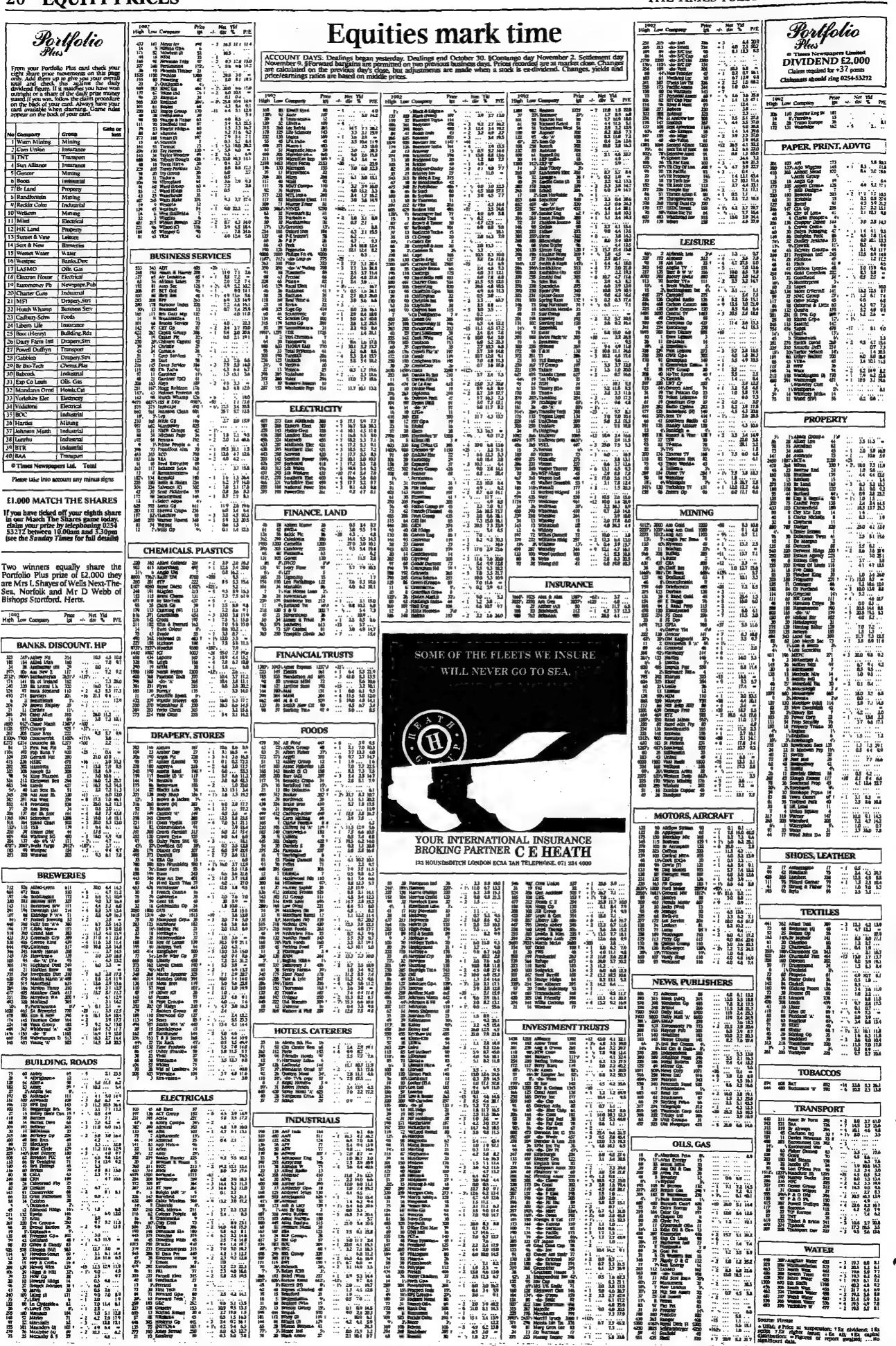
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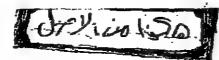
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Shaun Ryder of The Happy Mondays: David Sinclair is less than

happy with their concert

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Stephen Sondheim: will his new show Assassins make a killing during its limited London run?



STREET LIFE: Nuisance or entertainment? Andy Lavender finds buskers as numerous as ever on London's streets

# Strolling through town with the players

early two centuries ago, William Wordsworth stood on Westminster Bridge as day broke over London, took a deep breath, and penned one of the most

Earth has not anything to show

Dull would he be of soul who could

A sight so touching in its majesty".

What would Wordsworth make
of London now? Would he eat his words, choking in the car furnes as he did so? It has never been more fashionable to knock London knock its transport system, its trawling traffic, its grime, the shaming debris of its "cardboard army". Londoners look with envy at the zest of Barcelona, the architectural renewal of Paris, the superbly conserved city centre of Prague and then they wonder what happened to the majesty that touched

Yet to know London is to love it. Imagine that Wordsworth was your guest and you

had half an hour to show him They make an what London is odd contrast, really like. Rather than stand on a bridge, the playing Mozart, best thing you could do is walk with the rubberacross one. Take Wordsworth clad queue from the Rofor Heaven'

spirit of London by rubbing shoulders with the culture on its streets.

stretch runs from Covent Garden where the busking is dangerously "organised", but also unazguable where the biggest crowds for street entertainment invariably congregate — to the National Theatre, via The Strand, Charing Cross station, Villiers Street, Hungerford Bridge and the South Bank. It is a scene of fascinating energy, a gallery of murals, graffiti, spiashy newspaper billboards, buskers, beggars and vendors of *The Big Issue*; the magazine sold by the homeless; all bounded by architecture of vividly. different styles.

The street is its own theatre. Stop to look, and it tells you much about the capital.

A short tour of street art must begin underground. More often than not, buskers provide welcome relief to the drudgery of getting anywhere in London, nowhere more so than in the walkways of the tube system. The exceptions are the guitarists who endlessly drone SI-

mon and Garfunkel songs, a dirge relieved only by the odd Beatles number. "But the standard songs go down well," protests Simon, a pony-tailed guitarist from Galway. whose singing voice batters the commuters like the breeze of an pproaching train. "The problem of busking is that you've got to influence them in the space of one minute. You've got to touch them emotionally as they're walking down the corridor.

London Underground man in a fluorescent orange bib walked past. "No busking," he said, and walked on. This, it turns out, was lenient. The policy is to shift buskers immediately. "It's simply considered undesirable," said an Underground spokesman. "And there's been a trend towards buskers who behaviour can be rather aggressive and threatening. It's a different sort of busker to the music student, and this new breed is certainly not

Metropolitan more laissezwards the Thames, you older breed of

performing opposite Benjy's Take away, under the pastel-coloured walkway of Embankment Place. If it's late they make an odd contrast playing Mozart confections, with the long, rubber-clad, tattoo-bear-

ing queue waiting to get into Heaven, the popular gay nightchib. Nearby is a mural which perfectly represents the yearnings of citycountryside. It features happy people in a vibrantly pastoral nursery-school environment. A yellow person hugs a tree.

The mural bears the legend, "Show the world you care... please". That lower-case "please"! The artist, Sarah Long, must be English. And even the graffiti in this part of London is reserved in tone. As you ascend the steps which lead up to Hungerford Bridge, a badly sprayed line confronts you: "Wild about nothing". Hungerford Bridge connects Charing Cross station to London's commuter hinterland southeast of the Thames. A pedestrian path



is a secret of fastinating energy: Charlotte Palmer and (rear) Victoria Isaac, of "The Fabulous Flaurettes", performing for passers by in Covent Garden

a view which takes in the new Terry spider, and also St. Paul's Cathedral, the National Westminster Tower in the City and the concrete cultural houses of the South Bank. Can he still describe the "towers, domes, theatres and temples" as "bright and glittering in the smoke-less air"? He may feel more moved to verse by the presence of bianket-

wrapped beggars, with whom the bridge seems especially popular. But you must move him on, for across the river the South Bank makes its own modest contribution to open-air art. Contrast Siegfried Charoux's "The Cellist" — a bronge player outside the Festival Hall, head tilted in permanent mid-

energyles of Avillian Press "Zemran", presented to the Greater Farrell river-facing Charing Cross. London Council in 1972. Ah, the façade, gleaming like a luminous. GLC. Those were the days when artworks really were let loose.

> commitment to public monuments is now much less zealous. Indeed it seems significant that the most recent controversy in this field. was not over the unveiling of some daring post-modern creation, as with the celebrated addition to the Louvre in Paris, but over the new statue honouring Bomber Harris.

The musicians, though, are still in evidence, the South Bank being a busker's haven second only to Covent Garden. Prize pitch is the one beneath Waterloo Bridge, directly outside the bar of the National Film Theatre, where even the worst browsing through the bookstalls behind, and punters off to the theatre, gallery or concert hall. You would think that the latter group, at least, would be keen to invest in live

culture, but it is not always the case. This is a favoured haunt of Jim, recognisable by his straggly beard, floppy white hat and classical violin-playing. Jim lives in Suffolk and travels to London on the coach on Thursdays, sleeps on the floor of an office in return for a small amount of night-work and returns home on Mondays. "I gave up a job to become a busker." he says. "I'm not ashamed of that, It's my profession."

Busking, he laments, induces sloppy habits if you are not careful.

"It's very bad for your rhythm," he buskers have a captive audience points out, "and for the finer points drinking coffee a semi-captive one of the game. If you play softly people will assume you can't play. So you've got to play loud, which is very unmusical." This reminded me of a clarinettist I used to see who for some years would stand at the foot of Hungerford Bridge, late in the evening, performing with touching vagaries of timing and

> "Ah yes, that was Murray," said Jim. "I remember going to see Mahler's Ninth Symphony at the Festival Hall. Fantastic ending. I came out and there was bloody Murray and his clarinet. I didn't want Murray. I wanted Mahler. It was like having a four-course meal and then somebody offers you a cream bun. So he's no kind of psychologist."

The psychology of busking, of amount of money you can earn. an hour. You can earn more after closing time," said Simon. "You can play songs like 'Show Me the Way to Go Home'."

What would Wordsworth make of it all? Perhaps he would agree that the metropolis was more adequately described by his con-temporary William Blake, who found in London "marks of weak-ness, marks of wee". But the face of this often callous city is somehow kept human by its street-level artists, whether they are good, bad or indescribably awful.

The poer would surely find something still to admire. After all, dull would he be of soul who could

# Jarre turns his spotlight on the dark continent

NOW that the boycotts are ended, southern Africa is catching up with the latest in computerised entertainment. Jean Michel Jarre, the French composer whose music and light spectaculars have lit up outdoor venues from China to London's Docklands, has been booked to play at Sun City, the "Las Vegas of Bophuthatswana". Jame will create a new show,

using African musicians, in Sun City from December 1 to 3. It will launch The Lost City, described by its creator, the British-based impresario Sol Kerzner, as "the world's first African fantasy resort".

The £120 million theme park, designed to reinforce Sun City's position as Africa's prime tourist destination, will include an entertainment centre "carved out of the living rock", the first man-made tropical rain forest - over a million trees and plants - and the world's highest waterfalls. Jarre is importing 33 tons of lighting and sound equipment for his show, and Kerzner is flying in a formidable array of showbiz celebrities to watch. The Miss World contest and a big golf tournament are also scheduled for the opening weeks at

 ANOTHER venerable institution is about to leap into the microchip age. Next summer a remarkable new Music Room will open at the Horniman Museum in south London — home to a vast collection of musical instruments that ranges from 3,000-year-old Egyptian clappers to a 1991 Fender electric guitar. In the new gallery, "inter-active" computer displays will allow visitors to explore an instrument's evolution through many different stages, while sampling its sound through

headphones. neadphones.
The new, high-tech approach will cost £350,000, of which £150,000 has been met by a grant from the Museums and Galleries Improvement Fund. To open the



new gallery, a piece of music for 13 wind instruments has been commissioned from the composer El-

# Private view

ONE of the world's most private art greatest — is going on show in Paris. The Musée d'Orsay has just negotiated the loan of 70 paintings from the Barnes Foundation at Merion, near Philadelphia, probably to be exhibited in 1994. Dr Albert Barnes, who died in 1951, made a fortune from his discovery of the antiseptic, argyrol. He be-came a collector of French paintings of the late 19th and 20th centuries, which he installed in a neo-classical museum that he built at Merion in 1924.

They include 180 Renoirs, 69 Cézannes, 60 Matisses and paintings by Picasso, Van Gogh and Modigliani - most of them masterpieces. But Barnes allowed no visitors to the foundation, no photographs to be taken, and none of the paintings to be removed. New legislation in America in 1961 obliged the foundation to let in a trickle of visitors: 100 a day, three days a week. Now a further revision of the legacy has been approved because it would seem. there are financial difficulties facing the Foundation.

BENEDICT MASON, the composer who enlivened London's musical life last year by writing onchestral work inspired by (and indeed quoting) the call-signals of all of Britain's lighthouses, has advanced still further down the paths of musical eccentricity. To-night's premiere at the Queen



Speciacular: Sun City can look forward to a Jarre extravaganza like this in London's Docklands

the same story from Africa to

Elizabeth Hall in London is of a piece which Mason has pithily entitled "!", and its grand finale will introduce to the British concert platform an instrument called the schwirrbogen, or "buzzing how". To which information, most music-lovers will surely respond with a blank "?".

A spokeswoman for the London Sinfonietta, which will play the work, elucidates: the schwirtbogen is an instrument of Melanesian origin, and looks "rather like a broken football rattle with a crossbow made of a springy material attached at one end; it waits like a banshee when swung round and round, using a movement more appropriate to an over-arm bowler than a violinist". Now, why did Mozart never think of using one!

# Apocalypse again?

ORSON WELLES produced a radio adaptation of it, and planned a film too - only to think up Citizen Kane instead. Francis Ford Coppola and his scriptwriter John Milius surreptitiously transposed

Cambodia: the result was Apocalypse Now. Finally, we are promised the real McCoy. Joseph Conrad's Heart of Darkness will go before the cameras next year in Kenya and Zaire. Mickey Rourke will grapple with the role of Kurtz. The director will be Robert Dornhelm, an off-beat Austrian

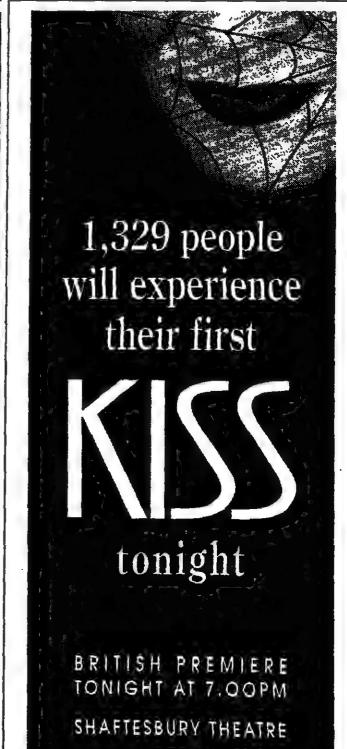
● THE Society for Dance Research is hoping to win a few converts to the cause of the 19thcentury choreographer August Bournouville with a day-long event celebrating the work of the great Dane. Frank Andersen, artistic director of the Royal Danish Ballet, and leading dancers from his company will give a lecture demonstration of Bournonville's classwork and ballets at the Bloomsbury Theatre (071-387 9629) on October 31.

# An odd couple

NEXT year's most incongruous lisison of thespian talents? Surely there will be no other contender when Steven Berkoff, the angry old skinhead of British theatre, makes his shamefully belated film directing debut. His script has the working title Decadence - and his star is Joan Collins.

# Last chance . . .

THE Frank McGuinness play meone Who'll Watch Over Me has triumphantly, if rather unexpeciedly, acquired a status as a modern classic. Who would have thought that a play in which nothing much happens to three men, hostages in a Beirut cellar, could have successfully transferred from Hampstead Theatre to the West End and now be moving to Broadway? But there is no doubting the strength and humour of the writing or the quality of the acting, especially when Stephen Rea's balky irish journalist and Alec McCowen's priggish English univing centuries of mutual hostility. The play is at the Vaudeville (071-836 9987) to Saturday.



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THE IGSS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN: After a successful play and him version of Manuel Puig's novel comes the musical Chila Rivera, who played Anta in the 1957 version of *Hest Stat Skot*: takes on the liftle role of the spiderwomen who appears in the lantasies of an imprisoned gay window drasses The story is of two very different men forced to share a cell Molina (Brent Carven is held on morals charges and Valentin (Anthony Creello) oranges and revolutionary Hardd Prince directs Operang right. Shaftesbury Theetre, Shaftesbur, Avenue, WC2 (071-579 5393), Tom

LONDON SINFONIETTA: in one of contemporary music ensemble's 25th anniversary the Sinfonetra under Bigar Howarth is joined by the Sutametta voices for a programme of music by Peter Mainrell Davies (4.62-52-57) Peter Mannell Danies (4 M2-11 cm.)
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Festival Hall, South Bank, SE1 (071-BRITAIN'S FIRST VIEW OF CHINA: graft Julius Pistes View or Contect The first ambassador from the Britain to the Chinese court armed in Jehol at the summer residence of the emperors in 1730. The impact of the visit on both sides was conciderable. Lord Macartre,

# TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to are compiled by Karl Knight

sook along a talented arrist. Withern Alexander, to record all they saw. This show evokes the occasion through drawings and engravings by Alexander, plus autilacts of the time. British Niumum. Great Russell Street, WC1 (071-323 8525). Mon-Sar 10am-Spm. Sun, 2:30-8pm. until April 4, 1993.

THE CURRENCYS: Summi-ahead R in 8 from the old-time rockers with the new Sodies south Town & Country Club. 9-17 Highgate Road, RNS (071-284 0303) REGIONAL

BUNCTON: Thanks to the European Arts Festival, Strasbourg's leading children's theatre company. Theatre Journe Public, four Britain with lifewight, L'Enfant-Louip, a new interpretation of kipling's Longe Alon. The show has a recorded narrative by Deme Judi.

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NORTHAMPTON: Dance Umbrella brings a visit by Merce Cumbing the grandfather of American pos n dance, who is meking rare appearances in both Northempton and London (Gueen Elizabeth Hall). Derngate, 19-21 Guildhall Road, (9604 24811), lorught, tomotrow, 7.30pm

Drastras Card a new baler based on Declares's story. The production (sponsored by Digital) brings together trains choreographer Massimo Moricone and the composer Carl Daws. Lively performances, etimotive sets and costumes by Lez Brotherston. Theetine Royal, Theeting Square (1802 482625). Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mar Wed, 2pm, Sat, 2.30pm. SALESBURY: A motor but interesting

SALISBURY: A more by interesting artist with storing local connections. Leatile Gibbon (1910-1969) spen the last 20 years of his life living in Staptsford and running the Stapteland Studio. Before that he had traveled widely, and though known meinty es a landscape painter he had also partied drawn and etched extensively in other forms. Sallabory Museum. The King's House, 65 The Close, Salisbury, Witshire (0722 332151) Mon-Set, 10am-Spm, until Dec 5.

I DEATH AND THE MAIDER AM Dortman's scorching psychological drama on the longing for revenge Penny Downie Danny Webb and Hugh Ross make up the cast Dube of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122) Mon-Sin, Epm. mans Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 120mms. THE DYBRUK: Kare Maders

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D AN INSPECTOR CALLS: Section Daldry's astonishingly powerful resurraction of Presiley's drains of

social responsibility National (Lyttelton), South Benk, SE1 (071-928 2252), Today, 2.15pm and 7.30pm, 100mps. Final performances. ☐ IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY: Larks in the hospital common room, matton outraged, dicctors flummound. Ray Cooney Jarce with foil of laughts.
Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue,
WC2 (071-839-401), Mon-Fr. Spm. Set.
8.30pm. mat Thurs, 3pm, Set. 5 30pm.
135mms.

EL MEDEA: Dana Rigg gives a cool, distancing interpretation in Eutrodes's distancing interpretation in Europides's revenge drams. Almeida. Almada Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Mon-Sat, 8pm. met Sat, 4pm

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WUTHERING HEIGHTS (U): Orthodox

thudge through Bronte country, with a miscast Cathy (Juliette Binoche) and a vanable Heathchif (Raiph Fiermes). Just the occasional spark. Orector, Peter

Kosmatsky Empire (071-497 9999) MGM Fulhern Road (071-370 2636) MGM Shaftesbury Avenue (071-838 6279/379 7025) UCI Winkeleys (071-

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**NEW RELEASES** 

# THEATRE GUIDE

Whitehall, Whitehall, SW1 (071-867 1119) Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8 30pm, Mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sat. 5.30pm. 120mins. PHILADELPHIA, HERE I COMET: Bran Fine's afectionate contedy of an insh emigrant and his carping after ego A revival to be charished. Wyndham's, Channg Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1118) Mon-Fr. 8pm. Sat. 8 15pm, mars Wed. 3pm. Sar, 5pm

D ROMEO AND JULIETI Michigo Maloney and Clere Holmen in David Leveaus's Larly ordinary production Berbicen, Sik Street, EC2 (071-636 8931), Today, 2pm and 7 15pm

THE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE VOICE: Ternic performance by Also Steadman as the raucous slattern in Jim Carrwight's play about dreams, shynass and homble mothers. Aldwych Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404) Mon-Sel. 8pm, mai Sal, 4pm

The role of brave widow in Sharman Macdonald's bitter-sweet drams
Touching moments but delivers less than it promises
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Albery, St Merten's Labe. WC2 (071867 1115) Mon-Sat. Spm. mats Thurs,
Spm. Sat. 4pm 120mine SIX DESIRES OF SEPARATIONS Stockard Channing as the rich New Yorker transfigured by a black con areas in John Guare's fine play on human edy, Parton Street, SW1 (071-867 , Mon-Sal, Spm, mats Wed, Jpm,

Sat. 4pm 90mins. OVER ME: Excellent playing by Alec McCowen, James McDeruel and Stephen Rea as Benut hostages in Frank McCammess's play Yeardentile, The Susmit, WC2 (071-428 9867) Mon-Sat, April, main, Wed, 2 30pm, Sat, 4pm 140mms Finel

The STREET OF CROCOOLES: Théâtre de Complicité presents the rightmare world of Bruno Schulz, Amezzng effects, bewidering storyine National (Cottenion), South Benk, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight-Thurs, 7 30pm, met Thurs, 2,30pm 108mms.

A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE Philip Provise's trumphant RSC production John Carisle as a callous inspend in Wilde's social melodrens Good with wit Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800) Mon-Sat, 7,30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2,30pm, 165mins

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# CINEMA GUIDE

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director, Alisson Landers, Metro (071-437 0757) Repolit (071-637 JUST LUCE A WOMAN (15) Jule Welters to the for her transvertitle lodger. Proseic romantic cornecty. With Adner Pasclar; director, Christopher Monger.

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LILITH (18) Occupational therapiet Warren Beatty talls for Jean Sebarg's mental patient. Splendid revival of Robert Resem's tast film (1984). ICA (071-930 3847).

OTHELLO (U): Orson Welles's dynamic version of Shakespeare's tragedy now restored. Welles as Othelic, Nacheal MacLammior as lago: dazzing images galore Curzon West End (071-439 4805) 

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+ WHITE MEN CAN'T JUMP (15): Westey Snipes and Woody Harreston as besierthed con artists in Los Angeles. Fresh, funny Antencare from witer-director Hon Shelton, With Rose Pertiz. Canden Parlowey (071-267 7034) MGM Chebese (071-352 5095) MGM Oxford Street (071-638 0310) MGM Chicard Street (071-638 0310) MGM ROCK: David Sinclair watches a group apparently unconcerned by declining popularity

# Yesterday the world, tomorrow..?

group's authority can unravel just as surely as a government's. In order to hold the attention and admiration of a notoriously fickle constituency, most rock acts need to stay in tune with the popular Zeitgeist. the fashionable cachet of the "Madchester" rave scene which they did so much to create has evaporated Happy Mondays' reputation has suf-fered accordingly; last year they played at Wembley Arena, this year the Brixton Academy and a Kilburn

dancehall. But the drift from a peak of popularity in 1990 has been compounded by a tendency to seem alarmingly out of touch. Never the most politically correct of characters, singer Shaun Ryder and the group's dancer-cum-mascot Bez overstepped the mark with an anti-homosexual rant, gleefully reported in one of the music papers. Where once their tales of drug dealing on the housing estates of Manchester suggested a sense of warned outlaw daring, the more recent complaints about how tough it was in Barbados, trying to write and record the album, ... Yes Please! while under the influence of so many stimulants,

won them little sympathy.
On stage at the National, Bez was the physical manifestation of a group that has become increasingly accident-prone. His right arm, broken twice in Barbados, hung limply in its sling, and while his lolloping dance movements were largely unaffected, his musical role was thus confined to the occasional shaking of one maracca - a rather

pathetic sight Ryder, a portrait of loutish indifference in black jacket and blue jeans, stood and sang with one hand in his pocket, looking for all the world as if he was ordering a beer at his local bar, while the rest of the band applied themselves to their instruments with a studious lack of charisma.

**Happy Mondays** National, Kilburn

The sound mix did them no favours either, a combination of harsh trebles and booming, dance-club bass fre-quencies which obliterated all but the loudest peaks of Ryder's vocals. His bold, impressionistic lyrics, which have been fancifully compared in some quarters to Bob Dylan's, were thus rendered completely inaudible, and the band's appeal strictly limited to that of a shaggy dance/noise machine.

There were other problems. The beginnings of several numbers were held up while drummer Gary Whelan got himself into sync with the programmed rhythm track accompani-ments, and for reasons it was difficult to fathorn, a racced version of "Step On" ended in utter disarray.

Yet despite such deficiencies they still displayed an unmistakable clout. The noise, though ugly, combined with the bombardment of flashing lights to produce a kind of audio-visual mugging effect. Escape was always a possibility, but resistance was useless.

Guitarist Mark Day glued the songs together with sequences which were both imaginative and melodic, while the group's comely backing singer, Rowetta, shored up Ryder's vocals, especially on a thumping version of "Halielujah", and lent some questionable spice to the proceedings with her teasing dance routines, involving at different times a bunch of tassles and a rubber duck.

The newer songs were, by-and-large, the most interesting, especially the mutant latin rhythm of "Cut Em Loose, Bruce" and the untypically restrained tone of "Stinkin Thinkin". But there was little which was capable of shining through the desultory mood of the performance overall.



Shaun Ryder: a picture of loutish indifference on stage

# TELEVISION REVIEW: Tony Patrick on a bold attempt to focus attention on the problems facing Somalia

FAMOUS enough to be known by a single name, the actress and model iman (who recently married another mononym, Bowie), went back to the country of her birth. Somalia, in order to focus international attention on the plight of that country, in the grip of civil war and drought. Twenty years ago, at the age of 17, she and her family opted for flight into exile after the military dictator, Siad Barré. placed her diplomat father under house arrest, with the likelihood of worse to follow. Through the offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross and accompanied by a Newsnight team led by reporter and executive producer Robin Denselow. Iman visited orphanages, clinics and

who had stayed behind. Barré, supported first by the Soviet Union and then by the United States, clung to power by setting clan against clan, in a country which had, albeit briefly, seemed a model of postcolonial progress, united by a single language and religion, Islam. Barré was deposed last year and driven out

# Deeply divided and despairing of help

this, but the divi-A Journey Home sions he encouraged 3 have now brought

the country to the brink of disintegration, with as many as ten distinct factions fighting over the remains. 300,00 have died in the past 18 months: a million face starvation. Infrastructure has largely collapsed.

"There are no schools in Somalia," said Denselow, with an admirable lack of dramatic emphasis which characthere are pitifully ill-equipped aid agency clinics, where starving underfives are fed at two-hour intervals (the death-rate is around four per cent daily). Or there are orphanages, where lessons in the Koran take place in the courtyard as yet another child's body is bundled for burial, perhaps to be collected by the ramshackie bus that

makes the tounds twice a day for just this purpose. The only law is a person who has a gun. Where are the

elders. Where are our elders?" asked Iman, as the armed convoy picked a precarious way through towns and villages crowded with trigger-happy adolescents toting rocket-launchers, automatic weapons and nervous expressions. At length, she got a partial swer. In the north of the country, the old nomadic and pastoral Somalia survives, though the conflict edges ever closer. Adopting dress more acceptable to the tradition-minded clan chiefs, Iman probed and persuaded out of them and others she met vividly affecting accounts of life in Somalia. More of the "eiders", the intellectu-

als, writers and musicians who had

traditions of a country which, for now, exists only in their heads. Back in Mogadishu, Iman interviewed the United Nations' Special Representative, Mohamed Sahnou, charged with the task of finding a political settlement. As he put it, a pot broken in two or three pieces is easy to

mend, but when there are 100 pieces? He confessed that his constant thought is "Why did we wait so long?" before coming to Somalia's assistance. If nothing else, this exemplary programme (produced by Andrew Williams, edited by Tim Gardam and a credit to the whole Newsnight team) should help ensure that the world does not again push Somalia to the back of 4. its mind.

been part of her parents' social circle, she found in a refugee camp in Kenya, where 300,000 Somalis have fled.

Although they have lost everything, their good health and safety, contrast-

ing so strongly with the despair and

danger back home, emphasised how

wise they were to have left Somalia

while they could. They are attempting to preserve the rich musical and literary

DANCE: John Percival reviews the first Mark Morris piece to be presented by a British company

# Morris provides a vehicle that makes touring enjoyable

THE second of London Contemporary Dance Theatre's new productions for the autumn tour gives the company at last a work by Mark Morris (staged by Teri Wexler), although not yet the closer association with Morris which the group has been wanting for some time. He made Motorcade in 1990 for the White Oak Project he shared with Mikhail Baryshnikov; last week's per-formances by LCDT at Plymouth were its British premiere and the first work

by him for any British company.

The music, as usual with Morris, is attractive: Saint-Saens Septet for string quartet, trumpet, LCDT piano and double bass. Morris's chore-

ography, in his after Paul Taylor" mode, is pleasant and not at all difficult. Hans van Manen's treatment of the same score, in Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet's repertoire a few years ago, was more inventive of movement, but this will make an enjoyable piece for LCDT's dancers and audiences.

There is a suggestion of pomp and of pushy authority in the dances to explain the title. At one point, a man is

Royal, Plymouth

Morris makes a great thing of poses with arms upraised and bent, a jokey version of a heroic posture. Darshan Singh Bhuller handled this best he is also the sharpest of the dancers in his timing. Another recurring image is of half of the dancers falling at the feet of their

carried proudly ac-

ross the stage on

another's shoulders.

colleagues, then rolling away as the upright ones advance purposefully towards them; this is followed, deflat-

ingly, by a quick changeover, the

upright ones sinking as the others rise. Are they abasing themselves, or perhaps trying to stop a procession? Maybe both or neither.

Andrew Storer's costume designs (leotards in bright colours, cut off at the knees, with shoes and some arm coverings) are cheerful although not exactly flattering to the dancers' hips, but the cast wear them with confidence. The dancers are being subjected to many new influences this autumn, and perhaps have not yet fully mastered them. But they look as though they are enjoying the experience.

# **ENTERTAINMENTS**

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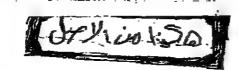
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MUSIC: Jeremy Sams on Stephen Sondheim's latest show, Assassins, of which he is musical director; plus jazz and Bergonzi's farewell

# America gets his best shot

■ Assassins flopped in New York during the Gulf war. Will its ironic view of the skeletons in America's cupboard find favour in London?

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norrow

s his лехт-door neighbour Katharine Hepburn put it, on seeing Sondheim's As-Well, you are a sombre fellow, Mr Sondheim," She had suggestions, of course, for improving the show. A perfect family (Mom. Pop and one of each) on stage might redress the balance, then a ballerina in white might fly in, to symbolise the purity to which all America aspires. This left the composer completely, and un-characteristically, speechless. She had, to put it mildly, missed the point.

Some Americans are not above missing the point - and many of them go to musicals. Indeed it is one of the many contradictions of Ste-phen Sondheim that the Broadway musical, the chosen genre of a man of huge and complex intelligence, with a taste for irony and paradox and a passion for exploration and re-invention, is a form in which sentiment, reassurance and recidivism are the principal desiderata.

And increasingly so. Those who can afford to splash out require a warm bath of familiar feelings. familiar, that is, not from lived experience, of course, but from other musicals. As a result we become hooked on a series of eponymous emotions which may be called love, happiness and regret and so forth, but which bear as much relation to real life as "Pure Orange Juice" does to pure orange juice.

But here's the irony. Sondheim is a child of Broadway; geographically, educationally, and via his mentor, Oscar Hammerstein, quasi-parental-ly. He may be a maverick but he is a mainstream maverick.

Sondheim's stomping ground, the area in which his music and words can flourish and flow, is one in which things are not quite OK. In which love is not always reciprocated, in which friendship falters, in which pleasure is endangered, and even intensified by pain. It is what you might call emotional realism. And there are thousands, possibly millions of us who cannot get enough of it. But Hello, Dolly! it sint . . .

All the same, you could do yourself a few favours. Such as not opening a show which challenges national iden-

one most of us have

heard or seen at some time or

other, is the trumpeter who

travels the world with his

band, the Feetwarmers, and

its irrepressible front man

George Melly. His other, less

well-known persona is that of

the respected jazz historian

In his alternative career he

has published an invaluable

reference book. Who's Who of

Jazz: Storyville to Swing

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of such figures as Louis Arm-

strong, Sidney Bechet, Billie

Holiday and Coleman Haw-

kins. In his latest book, Let The

Good Times Roll (Quartet,

£20), he turns his attention to

Louis Jordan, the saxophonist

and bandleader whose jump-

ing jive songs and risqué lyrics

are still pulling in crowds to

the West End revue Five Guys

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Deadly quartet: (left to right) David Firth, Henry Goodman, Jack Ellis and Louise Gold, who all appear in Assassins

tity just as the nation in question is about to go to war. When I saw Assassins early last year there was audible shock as the pageant of the dispossessed unfolded, the characters ranging from the almost legendary John Wilkes Booth to the very much alive John Hinckley and "Squeaky" Fromme, culminating in "the big one", in Dallas, Texas.

There was a splutter of ill-supressed rage and incredulity as the Texas Book Depository swung into view. With battle-lines being drawn in the Gulf, the little, jealously-guarded history which America owns might have been more martially marshalled. Certainly it was more the time for a visit to the Hall of Fame than for a rattle through the skeletons in the closet.

Which is a shame, because Assassins is far from being un- or anti-American: It is merely a question of viewpoint. The piece takes the Stars and Stripes, turns it round and picks at the seamy side for an hour and a half. And by taking the back bearings, as it were, it tells us much about the Ameri-'Sondheim is a can Dream and maverick, but the land where any kid can grow a maverick of up to kill the mainstream' The profiles of

the nine would-be killers around whom the show revolves have, in rehearsal, produced fascinating congruences. Parents, principally. Many loathed, others lacked fathers, rendering unmistakable the Freudlan significance of their behaviour.

Even more fascinating, there is a real need to belong. Many of these people are thwarted conformists. desperately searching for a family (even the Manson family), a political allegiance, or in the case of the immigrants Zangara and Csolgosz, a nation. They were none of them proved insane. The Assassin is the man in the street - albeit, the one

This is reflected in Sondheim's music. One of the many shocks of the piece is how generous the tunes are. Sond-

often had an ironticularly in his harmonics where "wrong" notes abound, defining the chords almost by default. But in this show the songs unfold with a candour and ebullience reminiscent of many less sophisticated composers. as the characters state their intentions with disarming clarity and logic. The

irony needs no musical voice. The composer tells the story of American music, from frontier ballads via military marches to barbershop quartets, with passing nods to Copland, the Ives "brothers" (Charles and Buri), even the Carpenters, in a ravishing duet in which Charles Manson and Jodie Foster are sere-

naded simultaneously. But there is nothing in the music which patronises the protagonists or com-ments on their obsessions. No dissonance, therefore, until the march called "Another National Anthem" which takes apart Sousa and says, 'So, USA, is this what you stand for?"

How will Assassins fare in Britain? My (not entirely unbiased) guess is: rather better than in the United States. The piece is shot through with irony, the ultimate un-American activity. And it seems that Americans are as ignorant of the names of all the assassins (apart from the obvious) as we are, and a good deal more embarrassed about it.

The final irony is that this show (which, aptly enough, has ended up in a warehouse) represents the best hope for immortality for a bunch of forgotten malcontents. Perhaps they will be remembered, after all.

• Assessins previews at the newly refur-bished Donmar Warehouse at Thomas Neal's, London WC2 (071-867 1150) from Thursday, opening October 29.

MUSIC: RECITAL

# A note of regret at the final flourish

AT THE age of 68, Carlo Bergonzi has decided to hang up his white tie and tails. The great Verdi tenor, perhaps the last in an Italian line running through Pertile and Lauri-Volpi, could have gone on another year or two had he wished.

The tone is as good as ever and the breath control extraordinary — there is scarcely ever a sound of oxygen being sucked into the Bergonzi lungs. Nobody else ends a song or an aria with quite the Bergonzi flourish: one of Bellini's lesser pieces was trans-formed by the way he handled the last two notes on Friday night. But this, he said, was his musical farewell to London and the Garden.

Bergonzi's favourite, Verdi, was represented by a trio of songs, including a jovial brindisi composed before he had written a single opera, and just two arias. Carlo's Romance from Masnadieri was a reminder that on record at least Bergonzi has covered virtually the whole waterfront of Verdi tenor roles. His vocal attack and his readiness to give the recitative just as much care and prominence as the axia made this a resplendent end to the first half of the programme. Rodolfo's more familiar "Quando le sere" from Luisa Miller closed official proceedings, perhaps unwise-ly. Here at last Bergonzi began to show his age, although it was wildly applauded because this was one of the Verdi roles

he did sing on stage here.

But the encores found him

Carlo Bergonzi Covent Garden

right back on form. There was a favourite party piece. Federico's lament from L'Arlesiana, and a clutch of Italian popular songs. Gigli territory. And more than a touch of Gigli was in the air. It now plump patriarch with one arm resting on the piano (his experienced accompanist was Vincenzo Scalera) and in the careful handling of words. even if they were not always precisely the ones the composer set. Gigli would have fa-voured, as Bergonzi did, sentimental Tosti, Schubert in Italian and laughing Rossini

("La danza"). That last item showed Bergonzi's sense of humour. rarely revealed on stage here. So did "Che bella cosa", among the encores, with its wicked imitation of Another Italian Tenor. Alas, he sang but one comic role at the Opera House, Nemorino in Elistr. Jeremy Isaacs presented him with the theatre's medal for services to opera. but, in fact, after his début with a scratch Italian company at the Stoll Theatre in 1953 Bergonzi did not appear here all that often. His farewell brought the warmest of standing ovations, but the occasion was flavoured with deep regret that Covent Garden was never really a Bergonzi house.

JOHN HIGGINS

### JAZZ: CONCERT REVIEW

# Saved by the belle

THE idea of this touring show is that you are supposed to imagine that you are in the exotic never-never land of Harlem in the Twenties. That is not quite so easy when you are in the South Bank complex on a windswept night. It takes a lot of wishful thinking to pretend that the carriages rumbling across Hungerford Bridge belong to Duke Ellington's "A"-Train.

Hall, that dreary concrete shed, is definitely no nightclub. Some form of stage set might have helped to foster the Illusion, but there was not so much as a potted plant on display. The quartet of backing musicians were left ma-rooned behind an inconemous. Habitat-style chaiselongue which might well have been dragged in from the

The programme contained a two-page biography of Owney Madden, the gangster who ran the original Cotton Club. That was as far as the period detail went, unless you include the two dancers who had the thankless job of filling in between sets. After a bout of painfully extended soft-shoe shuffling, we were left waiting for Eartha Kitt to make her belated entry.

The reason for the delay, she explained, was that her car had taken longer than expected to bring her to the venue. In the circumstances she could have been forgiven for turning back and returning to the comfort of her hotel. Nevertheless she delivered a set which enabled us - temporarily at least — to forget the grim surroundings.

She really does look astonishingly glamorous for a

**QEH** woman of 64. The figure is pencil-thin, the movements

A Night at the

Cotton Club

still languorous and provocative. Her voice did not fare so well at first, especially when she tried to project to the back flowed more smoothly once she settled into her more intimate, purring delivery, flirting with the bashful husbands in the front row, "Don't worry about it," she reassured them at one point. "I'm a grandmother." She even took the risk of

lying on the bare stage at one point, but appeared to escape without splinters. "I Can't Give You Anything But Love" and "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" were wrapped in sul-try pours and flicks of the hips. Towards the end, as she ululated the Turkish lyrics from one of her early hits, she slowly bent over backwards like a seductress from a harem. At the first attempt her back seemed to lock - none of us is getting any younger, after all — but she succeeded in the end. The temptress lives on.

Before the interval the latest edition of the Ink Spots ran through a portion of their greatest hits. The vocal group recently suffered the loss of Jim Nabbie, a member for more than 45 years. Undeterred, the current line-up reproduced the sedate fourpart harmonies with skill and just enough spontaneity to satisfy their long-term fans.

CLIVE DAVIS



John Chilton: "White jazz lovers have always had a penchant for lurid details"

nearest he comes to muckraking is the disclosure that Jordan, always the most athlet-

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Clive Davis meets

John Chilton, well

established as both

bandleader and

jazz musicologist

ic of stage performers, wore a cumbersome truss to remedy a life-long hernia. Chilton's choice of subject caused bemusement amongst some of his acquaintances.

After all, we tend to think of Jordan as a showman and purveyor of high jinks rather than a bona fide jazz musician. Chilton believes otherwise, pointing out that Jordan was a thoughtful craftsman whose early influences included the inventive small band swing of the sextet led by the bass player

The result is a low-key but John Kirby.
"Jazz musicians are a pretty informative survey of Jordan's apprenticeship in Arkansas, his years at the top of the music prejudiced lot, and a lot of them shut their ears to Jorcharts in the Forties and the says Chilton. "I've alfinal decades of relative obscurity. Chilton's analysis focuses ways liked Jordan as an largely on the nuts and bolts of improviser, as well as a singer Jordan's professional life. The and personality. He may have

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worn loud suits, but just listen, let the music hit you. He created a remarkable amaigam of jazz and blues, and achieved it so smoothly that people who wouldn't have been interested in either were won over."

Not surprisingly, given his partnership with Good Time George, Chilton has strong opinions on the need to treat jazz as a form of entertainment. The requirements of showbusiness did not, he argues, constrict Armstrong or Ellington; they simply learned to showcase their skills.

ot everyone would agree that the process was quite so straightforward — or beneficial — but Chilton surely has a point when he complains that most jazz musicians neglect presentation. "This is where jazz has had a march stolen on it by so many other forms of music," he says. "Yet musicians sit down and howl, 'How can they do this to us?". It was the same with the early days of amplification. We used to go out and play concerts and no one dreamed of checking the sound to see if people could

Chilton and Melly began their association 20 years ago when the singer casually "sat in" with the band at a pub in London. More dates followed. and Chilton settled down to what he expected would be "six months of fun". The group still plays a popular, month-long stint at Ronnie Scott's every Christmas, and the musicians usually take a

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Feetwarmers helps to subsidise Chilton's work as an historian. When the band is playing a concert in the United States or at one of the numerous international jazz festivals, there is invariably an opportunity for an in-depth interview with veterans who are killing time back-stage.

His first major project was the Who's Who, first published in 1966, and updated in various editions since then. Sorting out facts from myth is never easy in jazz. Even establishing the correct date of birth for a player is not always simple. Chilton explains that some veterans have actually given him several different dates over the years. At the

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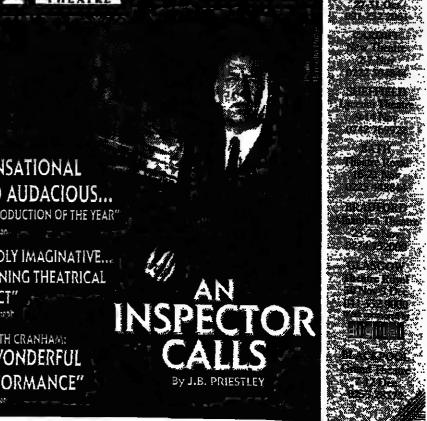
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One of Chilton's proudest possessions is a copy of Bessie Smith's death certificate. There has long been a legend that the blues singer, who was severely injured in a road accident in Mississippi, died after her ambulance was turned away from a whites-only hospital. (Edward Albee wrote a play inspired by this story). Chilton and other researchers have since shown that Smith was picked up by a black ambulance driver, who took her to a black hospital. The story about the white

hospital was quickly corrected by newspapers at the time," says Chilton, "but by then the ball had started rolling. White jazz lovers have always had a penchant for what you might call turid details. "Another example I came

across was the trombonist Charlie 'Long Boy' Green, who was said to have died of starvation on a Harlem doorsten. But when I spoke to fellows who knew him they said it wasn't like that. They told me he was obsessive about his wife's fidelity, and he would phone all the time when he was away on tour. If she didn't answer he would leave the band, wherever they were and go back to find her. "It got to the point where





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Ingham (left) rebuffs Nigel Lawson's charge that he distorted his daily press summaries to Mrs Thatcher

4's Today programme and breakfast television. My aim was to give the prime minister Lord Lawson Blaby's political a balanced account of reportmemoirs show that he thinks he did little wrong age and opinion and to alen and others little right. His her to anything which seemed likely to arise during Prime thuglike, xenophobic York-Minister's Questions in the shireman and inordinately proud of it", is fairly mild as Commons which I thought she ought to know, I did not failed cabinet ministers go. It always succeed. Jeffrey Archer once complained because she is also common form for them seemed unaware of the existo suggest that I reinforced Margaret Thatcher's worst tence of some pop group and might appear out of touch. With less than two hours in characteristics and was partly

responsible for her downfall. which to read the papers. But I am amazed — indeed. fair capped, as Yorkshiremen summarise them and have the digest typed and copies run say - to discover that Nigel Lawson, as he then was, went off. I raced through the easierthrough the Treasury believto-read tabloids first. In any ing that I had an obsession case, no press secretary doing his job can afford to ignore with (in fact, a hotline to) The Sun. He even claims that I papers read by 36 million distorted my daily summary of the newspapers to persuade Mrs Thatcher that everything digest was was all right with the world also presented

because Kelvin MacKenzie. to the prime the editor of The Sun, said so. minister in the company of about eight advis-Let us enter the real world. One of the tasks of the press ers, most of whom had read a broadsheet and brought their secretary, apart from being the own insights to briefing her. They tended to amplify my prime minister's spokesman. presentational adviser and cosummary of for example. The ordinator of the government's Times and the Financial communications orchestra, is to try to make sure his principal keeps in touch with events Moreover, the digest was and opinion.

not a private, secret document. It came to be more widely available in Downing Street. including Nos 11 and 12 and in the Cabinet Office. Other cabinet ministers knew what was in it

Inevitably, the press secretary has to exercise judgment in how he compresses an ocean into an egg-cup. I was always conscious of the need to reconcile my further role of trying to support the prime



Thatcher and Lawson: was she given an inaccurate picture of press opinion, as he alleges?

minister's morale with her need to know the bad as well as the good news. I know that sometimes ! succeeded. Mrs Thatcher was known to exclaim occasionally, rather accusingly. I thought: "But, Bernard, this is awful."

It may be that the presentation of the press treatment of stories and opinion, starting with the "pops" encouraged Mr Lawson to believe that I had a lovely relationship with The Sun. though the Daily Star's offering usually led the list. The digest's discussion most certainly helped to clarify

my briefing line. But that line was offered to all and sundry - tabloids and broadsheets - in formal lobby briefings. It was up to them whether it appealed. It was not my practice to try to stuff it down editors' throats in private calls to them.

I gave editors the credit for having a mind of their own. Mr MacKenzie has a mind of his own -- as John Major has latterly discovered.

THE NEWS, WARTS AND ALL To: The Prime Minister Subject: Press digest, Sunday October 18, 1992

SUMMARY Only Woodrow Wyatt, in the News of the World, has a good word to say for the government and yourself.

The Sunday Telegraph and the Observer foreshadow a U-turn on pit closures because of a Tory backbench rebellion. Both the Independent on Sunday and The Sunday

Times come up with surveys showing up to 44 Tory MPs are opposed to the pit closures. The Sunday Times claims surveys show another 200.000 jobs will go by Christmas. The Mail on Sunday says ministers are joining calls for Michael Heseltine's sacking.

Meanwhile, editorials are uniformly hostile and say your position is critical. There is much first world war imagery — "lions lead by donkeys". The Observer speaks of "callous and incompetent leaders" and the Independent on Sunday says

your time is up. Signed: Bernard Ingham

The digest: Ingham's initial summary of Sunday's press

# Let's put the British back into the BBC

Our oldest broadcaster stands accused of mistaking London for Britain, and neglecting the nation's history

A sthe going got tough in the Falklands War, and BBC journalists reported what were by now sometimes unpalatable facts, the editorial and letters columns of the more conservative newspa-pers thundered with indigna-tion. What did the corporation think it was doing? "Our boys" were at war; all right-thinking people should support them unquestioningly. including

BBC journalists.
"After all", the argument went, "it is the British Broadcasting Corporation."

I. as the editor of Nationwide, was on the end of some of this, and did not appreciate the line of argument. I still don't. Nonetheless, I've been increasingly perplexed about what "British" means in the context of the BBC, and increasingly convinced it should mean something substantial in the future if the corporation's charter is to be renewed. and the licence fee raised.

Today, the Royal Television Society will debate the purpose of the BBC, and soon the government will present a green paper on the BBC's future. A month or so later (and in my view at least a year late), we will have the BBC's

detailed thoughts.

Cynics believe that a Faustian bargain has already been struck between government and corporation. Reduce your size, don't lobby, let the gov-ernment speak first, and you'll get the charter. But a charter to do what?

"It's your BBC." the corporation claims. So if it belongs to us and not to Whitehall, what do we want it to do? Increasingly my answer is that I want it to be independent -

I should be careful to explain, though, what I do not mean by this. I do not want the BBC to reduce its foreign reporting or its exploration of international culture. I do wish it to reallocate its finances so that it can make programmes about the British for the British and I want to see it continue to fight to reverse the

metropolitanism that so re-morselessly overwhelms it.

First, the regions. It seems to me inescapable that Channel 4 and the vast majority of "independents" working for them will always remain locked in London's West End. I also think it inevitable that the number of iTV regions will diminish and that the new central scheduling system will encourage this. That system will also be based in London. So from January 1 all network scheduling decisions will be taken within a few miles of Charing Cross. The satellites will have nothing to offer of a

If these islands are to speak to each other then it will have to be largely through the BBC

distinctly regional nature. Channel 5, if it is allowed to broadcast, will enable London to speak for London, but not the rest of the country to speak to the capital.

The market, therefore, will not deliver Britain to its audience. If the different parts of these islands are to speak to each other then in television and radio it will have to be largely through the BBC. Is it capable of fulfilling this

task? The BBC will say it is already doing so, although some Radio 4 listeners might disagree. It has certainly announced plans to move some departments out of London to assist in creating "centres of excellence" in the regions. It has no plans, however to produce any of its national television current affairs programmes out of London. Brass Tacks was ripped out of Manchester and away from File on Four, its radio partner,

intractable London, I would move it back immediately. The premier social affairs programme ought to be closer to the lives of the

majority of people.

In the regions themselves the quality of BBC news reporting and analysis has improved considerably, but at a cost. Where are the programmes about regional culture, arts and rural life? Where are the gentle documentaries which, ten years later, tell you so much more about real life than most perishable news programmes?

Secondly, and just as importantly, is our past. The BBC must help to ensure our ability to pass on our history to successive generations. Most major historical documentary series are international in subject matter and demand international funding, Such co-productions are important and valuable, but are not sufficient

Where are the series on our regional histories, on the growth of early Christianity which founded much of our distinctive nature and our destructive divisions? Where are the histories of our immigrant communities? All are missing, presumed dead. Even Robert Kee's history of Ireland was made well over a decade ago.

Timewatch, the history series, has a new editor and some more money, but hardly sufficient to operate without overseas funding. That inevitably restricts his ability to

cover his own country. Will we never again see an archive series such as All Our Working Lives, where Peter Pagnamenta brilliantly conveyed the industrial experience of ordinary British people? It may not have been a great overseas revenue earner, but it was of much more lasting value than much of that which has come after.

ROGER BOLTON ■ The author worked for the BBC from 1967 to 1986 and is the outgoing controller of factual programmes at Thames IV.

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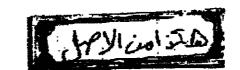
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# MANAGEMENT

# Town halls trek east

Louise Hidalgo discovers how local councils are advising the new

democracies

maginative councils have shown nifty footwork in asruming a new international ole, particularly in responding to-vents in central and Eastern Europ. This month, in the latest local jovernment initiative to aid the nev democracies, a mission led by the Association of Metropolitan Authorities visited Budapest.

Rolney Brooke, the association's secretary, reports: "Local authorities have been ingenious. There has been wide range of involvement at a time when there is still uncertainty about whether local government powers extend beyond setting up twinning links to, for example, sending experts to advise on acontaminated lake. Some have presed ahead regardless." Central government acknowl-

edgel central and Eastern Europe: need for advice by starting the know-How Fund in 1989. This year £50 million have been allocted to helping these countries to mwe to a free market economy and tart democratic systems. Of that noney £700,000 was set aside for tehnical projects by councils. Cooperation is certainly varied. Islingon, a contender for this

year £100,000 Know-How allocation or Hungary, wants to help a Budgest district to develop better securty at its football ground. The team; fans are renowned for rowdness and violence. Islington believes it can offer good advice from its experience of Arsenal. Chorley, in Lancashire, one of

three authorities to win technical money last year, is giving advice on setting up starter units for businesses. The council's environmental expert are also looking at ways of manitoling air quality and decontaminaing a Hungarian lake. The opportunity to train man-

agement and technical staff as much as reognition of an increasing international role has persuaded councils to look east, believes



Eastern capital, Western look: Budapest is drawing public and private investment from the West

James Beadle, the Local Govern-ment International Bureau's central and Eastern Europe officer. Council chiefs see the work as a way of widening their experience, paying for research they could not otherwise afford, and helping the Hungarians. "The level of on-thejob training far outweighs that of a similar project in the more familiar environment of the UK," he says.

This year six local authorities have applied, or are applying, for funding for projects in Hungary. Some fall into the environment department's technical scheme. Another four councils are backed by European money through Phare, its programme for regenerating the region economically, technically and environmentally.

Kent is trying to promote economic development through political and business relationships, but is also driven by the desire to help Eastern Europe's emerging democracies, Stephen Barber, Kenr's European officer, says. He explains: "We see it as a long-term investment — opening up a new market for Kent businesses and helping them establish links with

it." The county council has joined International Business in the Community, started by the Prince of Wales when he visited Hungary two years ago, in helping to set up a local enterprise agency and business starter units in Bacs-Kishkun, known appropriately as the

ancashire has been a pio-neer in developing eco-nomic links with Hungary. Through Lancashire Enterprises, the enterprise board set up as a company with a 50 per cent local authority stake, the county has established commercial as well as philanthropic links during the past year with Szabolcs county, one of Hungary's most deprived areas.

The relationship is about to be formalised with the establishsment of a joint venture between Lancashire Enterprises and Szabolcs' own enterprise agency, Primom. They have set up a starter unit for small businesses in a former Red Army barracks and a commercial database for entrepreneurs wanting to trade in Romania, Ukraine and Slovakia. Now they are seeking

private investment for the county's first four-star hotel complex. Although the Hungarians are keen to tap into Western expertise, they are not uncritical pupils. Fejer, near Budapest, is one of six counties to have an enterprise

agency for small and medium-sized businesses, formed under a joint programme by the Hungarian foundation for enterprise promotion and Phare less than a year ago. One of the results has been a link with the Welsh Development Agency, which has given advice on issues such as inward investment and job creation. Ferenc Toth, the Fejer agency's

chief executive, has high praise for the Weish agency. He says: "There are many parallels between the two regions — unemployment, an environmental legacy from closed-down industries. The agency has helped us to realise the importance of incentivising new business to come into the region. But we have also got to learn from their mistakes. We have to get public opinion behind us from the outset. And we have to lobby for a central

# The citizen's charter brings out the cynics

Employees suspect that every new deal is simply further

government tinkering, to be followed by job losses

To Tory politicians the citizen's charter is an injection of new ideas into the public sector. To those directly affected, the charter appears, at best, to be another example of government tinkering. An assistant manager in the Benefits Agency said: Most of us see it as quite a cynical exercise to paper over the cracks in the service."

the promised public services revolution in its tracks. Since the charter is about raising the quality of services without extra money, its success is depen-dent on employees good will

Even before the possibility emerged of a public sector pay freeze, recent events wore this enthusiasm a little thin. Publication was swiftly followed by news that £1 billion of public services would be "markettested" this year and, if valuefor-money improvements could be made, given to private companies. Jobs were no long-

"I cannot conceive of a more stupid thing than to follow up citizen's charter by launching market-testing in a fanfare of publicity," says John Ellis, the secretary of the Council of Civil Service Unions.

Unions quickly interpreted the charter as a political message. Market-testing became a warning to staff, with the threat of privatisation if the quality objectives were not achieved", Mr Ellis says.

Unions are not alone in regret ting the timing. Agency chief executives, having won new freedoms to manage their employees at arm's length from Whitehall, found their workforce demoralised. "I told Mr Waldegrave that I had been spending the past two years going around the country trying to galvanise the staff and win their commitment. Now be has socked them in the solar

ment Service.

This cynicism threatens to halt

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plexus," says Mike Fogden, the chief executive of the Employ-

Morale problems aside, few disagree with the charter's princi-ples. It allows enlightened chief executives to win publicity for initiatives already under way, not to mention for future improvements. Employees, however, question its ability to effect a full-

scale revolution. One Employment Service employee says: "The principles are good, but service improvements are not going to

initiatives do need pumppriming money," he admits. of squeezing improved services out of a demoralised staff, the management imperative has become to win staff support during preparation for mar-

"Employee communications and consistency of policy direc-tion will be vital in achieving the aims of the charter," says Stephen Curtis, the head of the DVLA. Chief executives will need the managerial freedom to deliver these two prerequisites. Inevitably, the Treasury has retained control of the purse strings. Staff communications have not been helped by the rapid succession of government initiatives, not to mention those introduced by senior managers. "Staff are having difficulty understanding how they fit together and how they rank in terms of importance," Mr Curtis says.

will be no extra money. "It is all

stick and no carrot," says Barry

Reamsbottom, the general secre-

tary of the public service union

CPSA. "The government seems

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However, David Durham, the

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Throw it out: Barry Reamsbottom The bosses clearly have their work cut out. Civil servants reacthappen overnight or without ed to a routine customer satisfaction survey on their pension scheme by suspecting it was the prelude to a benefits reduction. says: "The charter seems to make

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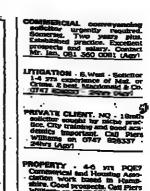
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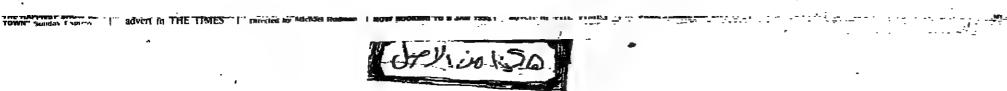
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oday the Legal Aid Board publishes pro-posals for entering lawyers who can deliver a service of assured quality. This novel approach in the legal world, going under the name of franchising, will provide important benefits to the citate the largest and and are the hard and and are the hard are the hard and are the hard and are the hard are the hard are the hard are the hard and are the hard ent, the lawyer, the board and

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the taxpayer.

Clients will gain because they will know that their lawyers have reached and maintained a recognised level of competence. Lawyers will gain because they will attract more business, the administration of cases will become easier and cashflow will be improved.

Both the board and the taxpayer will have the advantage of knowing that better value is

being obtained for Lawyers, the very substantial sums of money taxpayers that are now paid and Franchising also

rives lawyers the clients will tial payment terms benefit for meeting specified quality criteria in different

areas of legal work. It is important to see franchising in the context of the board's strategy for legal aid. It is for politicians to decide what level of access to justice through legal aid is to be achieved and how much taxpayers' money the country can afford to spend on it.

It is the board's job to ensure that the money is spent with maximum effectiveness by encouraging efficiency in those

the amount of money that can be made available, then more

tion of the quality of service that must be provided, we may end up with a service that does not give the public what it is entitled to expect. Then every-

In deciding how to set quality criteria, the board looked at two main areas: the way in which solicitors run their offices and the way they conduct individual cases. Lawyers will have to demonstrate that they are actually putting into practice relevant parts of the guidance on good management and client care that the Law Society has issued. The board will also check

that cases have been handled well by looking at samples of case files. The board's liaison staff

offices to help them to achieve and maintain the arrangements and standards that we have specified. In return for meeting our quali-

ty criteria, lawyers will be given more freedom to conduct cases without reference to the board. They will also be given preferential payment terms; cash flow is

important to any business. The legal profession is coming under closer scrutiny than ever and the rising cost of legal aid is but one aspect of this. Complaints to the Solicitors Complaints Bureau have risen and record claims are being made from the compensation

The research done on behalf of the Royal Commission on critical of the quality of service After all, if there is a limit to law firms provide to some clients at police stations.

We believe it is in the people will be beined if the cost profession's interests to co-of individual cases can be operate in setting quality crite-reduced. However, if costs are rise that can be checked at



BENEDICT Bimberg at his office in Southwark, south London. One of the 3,000 firms that make up the hard core of legal aid practitioners, his will need a contract with the Legal Aid Board if it wants the benefits of speedier payment and greater freedom to do

work without seeking approval for every case Will such firms be able to meet the strict quality criteria imposed by the board? Or will the new system favour mass throughput of work to the detriment of those providing a small quality service?

regular intervals and not just when a particular complaint is

So far, that co-operation has been willingly given by the Law Society and by individual

We want to encourage that involvement and we are setting up arrangements that will involve the profession in both the further development of quality criteria and in the way they are applied by the board.

II IS UD CITAIN TO US THAT THE better and committed lawyers keep doing legal aid work and have confidence in what we are trying to achieve.

Looking to the future, legal aid work, particularly in urban areas, will inevitably start to

gravitate towards franchised lawyers. We hope that advice agencies, which are often the first port of call for people with problems, will encourage this.

n the other hand, we do not want to see smaller firms or those in rural areas that do little legal aid work being excluded. Special arrangements have been made to allow them into our scheme. . After all, they DIDVIDE IMPORtant points of access for the public, which we do not want

We hope it will be possible in the future to encourage advice agencies that do not have lawyers to be paid under

legal aid. If they can meet our quality standards in the areas in which they specialise, for example in dealing with debt and many housing problems, they would have an important

role to play in extending access and, because their overheads are usually less than lawyers, reducing costs.
The board has thought carefully about this initiative over a long period of time. We are convinced that our proposals will lead to a partnership approach with those who deliver legally aided services that

will not only benefit them and us but, most importantly, the the law's "compassion to human infirmity". aided dient and the taxpayer. In the middle of the 19th century, reference This is a major change and began to be made to the standards of the

# Look again at 'slow burn' killings

After a successful appeal, the law's compassion for those provoked over a long period needs reassessing

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THE CASE of Kiranjit Ahluwalia, who was recently released after appealing against a life sentence for murdering her brutal husband, raises important questions about the legal doctrine of provocation. She had been subjected to years of appalling domes-tic violence. One night in 1989, a terrified Mrs Ahluwalia set fire to her husband's bedroom as he lay asleep. He died of his injuries. She was convicted of murder and was sentenced to the mandatory term of life imprisonment. In July, the Court of Appeal ordered a retrial because of fresh evidence relating to her mental health at the time of

At the end of last month, the prosecution accepted her plea of guilty to manslaughter on the ground of diminished responsibility. Mr Justice Hobhouse released her from custody because justice did not require her to be detained longer than the three years which she had already served

in prison. The general importance of the case is that the Court of Appeal rejected a submission made on behalf of Mrs Ahhwalia that the judge at her original trial had wrongly directed the jury on the cir-cumstances in which provocation could reduce the crime from murder to manslaughter, and so avoid a mandatory term of life imprisonment.

The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor, confirmed that the doctrine of provocation is authoritatively stated in the direction to the jury by Mr Justice Devim in 1949 R v Duffy: "provocation is some

act, or series of acts, done by the dead man to the accused which would cause in any reasonable person, and actually causes in the accused, a sudden and temporary loss of self-control, rendering the accused so subject to passion as to make him or her for the moment not master of his mind". The Devlin definition of provocation was also applied by the Court of Appeal in the similar case of Sara Thornton in 1991. She too had killed her abusive and violent husband and had been convicted of murder. In a book published this month, Provocation and Responsibility (Oxford, £25), Jeremy Horder explains that the concept of

provocation has its origins in the medieval idea that there are circumstances in which a righteous person expresses anger by taking justice. By 1833, the doctrine of provocation had

become, in the words of Chief Justice Tindal.

"reasonable man". In recent years, loss of "self-control" has become the governing

principle of provocation. Critics of the law of provocation have complained that it incorporates a male bias. Battered women do not kill calmly and with deliberation. Their rage builds up (the "slow burn"), and they take the opportunity of removing the cause of their distress while he is asleep or drunk. Why, it is asked, is such an act by a person driven to despair by abuse less deserving of legal recognition and compassion than the case of the provoked man who loses his self-control and kills his

These criticisms of the legal doctrine of provocation have considerable substance. Sociological and psychiatric studies show that violence caused by loss of self-control is overwhelmingly a male phenomenon. The courts have pandered to male vanity and

self-esteem on sexual matters. A large proportion of provocamen who kill women who have been sexually unfaithful or who have commented unfavourably on the quality of the defendant's sexual performance. The Court of Appeal accepted, as recently as 1985. that "to taunt a man about his lack of sexual inclination or prowess does involve striking at his character and person-ality at its most vulnerable".

So long as Parliament retains the mandatory sentence of life imprisonment for murder, the arbitrary distinctions drawn by the criminal law of provocation need to be addressed. The difficulty is that

the scope of the partial defence of provocation must be confined so as to avoid the law condoning Charles Bronson cinema-style revenge killings. In Eve Was Framed: Women and British

Justice (Chatto & Windus, £16.99), compulsory reading for all male lawyers, Helena Kennedy QC makes a strong case for the adoption of an expanded concept of cumulative provocation. This would recognise the build-up of provocative factors that cause the fatal attack without a sudden loss of self-

Aristotle pronounced that "it is easy to get angry - anyone can do that. But to feel or act towards the right person to the right extent at the right time for the right reason in the right w v is a rare. Iaudabie and fir achievement". The circumstances in which the criminal law recognises a partial excuse for some types of killing carried out in anger require urgent reassessment.

• The author is a practising barrister and a fellow of All Souls College, Oxford.

### mid-life crisis is gripping some law firms. Partnership prospects for ambitious 30year-olds are contracting, and these talented people are inustrated. As Peter Cotton of the CA Programmes consultancy puts it, professional firms can rely less on the prospect of partnerships to moti-vate their middle management, because the escalator to partnership is

moving more slowly. But there is no easy solution. While the older, distinguished members of the profession such as-Sir Matthew Farrer, the Queen's solicitor, can leave their firms with dignity, that option is not so open to rank and file partners. Sir Matthew is to retire and become a consultant

to his erstwhile partners. In many cases, those aged 50 or over are hanging on grimly because they need the money and can see no second career for themselves

# Young, talented and going nowhere fast

after they leave. Yet this mass of partners, jaded but immobile in mid-life, is preventing movement further down the line.

.One shrewd senior lawyer said: The time to take action was about three years ago when we could afford to make generous payments to lesser partners to persuade them to go. Now they do not want to lose their jobs, and we cannot afford to ease their way out." Realistic senior and managing

partners are starting to recognise, however, that this position is unsustainable, especially if the recession continues to choke growth in mainstream corporate and commercial work. At the same time, many older partners are themselves privately

If a firm is to encourage ability, older partners must be encouraged to move on

wishing for a decent way out. As one partner in a leading firm in his early fifties said, "By the time you get to my age, you no longer relish the all-night negotiations and the desperate rush to meet deadlines. You have done it so many times before that it just becomes a chore. On top of that, there is the increased stress of attracting new quality business at a time when

there is little around." Has the time come, then, to re-think retirement ages? Most lawyers in their lifties still have much to

give, but not necessarily to their present firms. They need a fresh chal-

lenge and their firms need the partnership slots they presently occupy. One solution is offered by the consultancy Future Perfect. Rather than ignore the trend towards midcareer burn-out among professionals and executives, Future Perfect believes it should be recognised and turned to advantage.

John McLean Fox, a former director with the PA Consulting Group who set up Future Perfect, argues that although every organi-



Helping: John McLean Fox

sation has what could be called a third age problem (that is, fulfilment for men over 45) few know what to do about it. Future Perfect's answer is a carefully managed and supported exit programme that helps to ease an individual into a NEW CAREET.

The transition, Mr McLean Fox emphasises, needs careful preparation. "If you are used to the back-up of a big organisation, you may feel stranded having to work on your own. But with organisation and guidance, most professionals can do it successfully.

So fair, few law firms have taken advantage of this strategy, al-though it has been popular with organisations such as Schroders, Touche Ross, James Capel and Kleinwort Benson.

One partner in his early fifties from a top ten firm has benefited from the service. He explains: "I

am leaving my firm next spring. and my programme of departure started with a residential workshop, paid for by the firm, which I attended with my wife and other professionals in similar positions.

In discussion with them and with the Future Perfect consultants. we looked at the the options available and how I would need to adjust to a new way of life."

This particular partner is now confident he can move into selfemployment by building on his contacts and expertise. A final tip is to involve one's spouse. "This is a process that affects two of you and for it to work successfully, both must understand and be involved in the solution," he adds. For this final transition to succeed, supportive partners - at home and in the office - are clearly essential.

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# The law's longstop

THE sea change at the top of the judiciary and its acceptance of the need for reform of the criminal justice system could not have been made clearer than when the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor, was a guest speaker last week at the start of an appeal for £1.25 million for Justice, the

Not only was he there, but he publicly paid tribute to the work of Justice in exposing "disturbing errors and fail-ures" that had resulted in miscarriages of justice.

No system was infallible and "extra fielders acting as longstops to prevent injus-tice", such as Justice or television programmes such as BBC2's Rough Justice, were a "salutary safeguard". So long as investigations

were presented fairly and re-

sponsibly, they provided a valuable extra limb to the criminal justice system". The appeal, launched by Lord Alexander of Weedon, who is chairman of the group's council when not busy with his job as NatWest chairman, saw a large gathering of senior judges, including Lord Justice Butler-Sloss. Lord Justice Glidewell and

for new premises, staff and the outstandingly original Lord Alexander said: "Jus-

tice now handles almost 1.000 enquiries a year. Miscarriages of justice are a canker in our society, they cruelly betray individual rights and undermine the rule of law." Justice was there as a "last resort" in such cases, as well as in its role of promoting law reform.

For years, Justice has worked on a shoestring in cramped headquarters, Anne Owers, its director, said. Just locating the right file could take up a lot of time.

Clink-clink AS THE recession bites, are trainee solicitors turning to thoughts of crime? Lest the temptation prove too much, the London Solicitors' Traince Group has summoned them to spend an evening in jail. The group's Hallowe'en party is being held at the Clink a small museum that is housed in Britain's first private prison. The Bishop of

Saint Swithun, opened the jail in AD 860. Show goes on TURNER Kenneth Brown Mr Justice Johnson, and lawhas amounced that it will yers, who were urged to dip into their pokets to help the 35-gen ald body round funds continue financial backing for

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mime and mask company which the City law firm has helped nurture to international prominence.

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firms concentrate on safe, established companies. Trestle, however, is adventurous enough to represent a challenge to convention.

Eastern premises THERE may be life after death for property lawyers, provided they are willing to go



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Wharf.
While Europe languishes, some Pacific region economies are thriving. Malaysia, for example, is experiencing almost 9 per cent growth a year as the property market surges ahead at a great rate.

"Look East, young lawyer" may be good advice, therefore, and it is significant that Mackrell International, the international association of law firms, will hold its autumn conference in Kuala Lumpur towards the end of

this month. What we shall be doing is discussing both the economic prospects for the region and the opportunities for lawyers," says Michael Slorick, Mackrell International's chairman and senior partner of the Covent Garden-based Mackrell Turner Garrett Malaysia is one of the world's stronger economies. Kuala Lumpur has prospects for property deals that would rival City developments such as Broadgate."

Starting young MORE THAN 1,000 schools have applied to pit their advocacy skills against one another in the third annual Bar National Mock Trial Competition this year. Spon-

organised by the Citizenship Foundation, an independent charity, the contest for the first time covers Scotland and Northern Ireland.

A shortlist of 128 will be drawn up (double last year's number) and the winners from the 16 rounds will go forward to the national final The teams, whose members are aged 15 to 18, spend a day in a crown court in November playing the parts of advocates, witnesses, juror, and court clerks, and either prosecute or defend in two cases set by Tony Hooper QC. They are judged by "real" circuit judges and recorders.

Video law

YET another video initiative for lawyers is about to hit the screens. Law Limited (slogan: Bringing the Law Home to You) has just released its first title, Environmental Law 1, and hopes to woo lawyers into spending more time looking at the box and less time at conferences.

The star of Environmental Law 1 is Steve Tupper, a Brussels-based barrister. Watching the video and answering multiple choice questions can qualify for con-tinuing education.

The problem is that with so many videos competing for their attention, when will lawyers ever get the chance to rediscover television's real purpose — something to sleep

# CHANCERY BAR ASSOCIATION **AUTUMN LECTURE**

# Company Law and the EEC

The Chancery Bar Association Autumn Lecture will be held at 6.15 on Monday 2 November 1992 at the Great Hall, Lincoln's Inn, WC2. The speaker will be Mary Arden QC.

The aim of the lecture will be to assess the impact of recent developments in European Community law on domestic company law. In particular it will ask - will the recent European Court decisions on the effect of directives lead to a new approach in the interpretation of the Companies Acts?

The Chancery Bar Association welcomes to this public lecture solicitors, accountants, bankers, and all others who have an interest in the changing law on this important topic. There will be an opportunity for questions or contributions from the floor, which we hope many will take advantage of in the interests of a lively discussion. Any inquiries about the Lecture to: the Treasury Office, Lincoln's Inn.

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A cut-off date imposed by a judge assigned to deal with large group actions for those claimants who had by that date made application for legal aid assitance and who had served their writ and statement of claim or, in the county court, their summons and their particulars of claim, simply imposed a time limit on those claimants who wished to participate in group litigation.

A failure to meet such a deadline

date did not destroy any claim itself but the cut-off date was essential for efficiency and for the expeditious monitoring of such group actions and any claimants who had not applied for legal aid or issued proceedings by the cut-off date could not then be entitled to participate in that group litigation The Court of Appeal so held then dismissing the appeals of A. B and others, the 40 claimants who had actions running in respect of the drug Halcion. from the order of Mr Justice Ian Kennedy made on May 6, 1992 in the group litigation relating to penzodiazepine drugs whereby he ordered that the group litigation should be determined by the trial of lead cases binding upon all claimants and whereby he refused cut-off dates which he had im-posed on June 28, 1991 as group litigation.

Wyerh and Brother Ltd. the manufacturers of a benzodiazepine Ativan. Roche Products Ltd. whose concern was the benzodiazepine Valium, and Upjohn Ltd. a subsidiary of Upjohn USA who manufac-tured and supplied Halcion, whose generic term was trajolam, itself a benzodiazepine.

Mr Rupert Jackson, QC, Mr Oliver Thorold and Mr Richard Lynagh for the Halcion Gaimants: Dr Michael Powers for John Wyeth & Brother Ltd: Mr Andrew Pryune for Roche Products Ltd; Mr Robert Nelson, QC, Mr Mark Turner and Mr James Medd for Uniohn Ltd.

LORD JUSTICE BALCOMBE said that the Halcion claimants complaint was that a group of 40 was unlikely to be large enough to-select suitable lead cases and hence to persuade the Legal Aid Board to grant financial support to their tions. In addition they spoke for the 563 claimants who had not applied for legal aid before the cut-off date of Septemebr 24. 1991 imposed by Mr Justice Ian Kenwhose subsequent lications had been refused.

some drug alleged to be defective. or from some disaster, had become a well established feature of litigaSupreme Court made no specific provision for group litigation but a and in May 1991 the Supreme Court Procedure Committee pro-Use in Group Actions.

Experience showed and the Guide recommended that each substantial group of actions should be assigned to it one judge who would supervise the interlocutory conduct of the proceedings as well as hear the trial. When it became apparent that there was a large number of claims arising from the use of benzodiazepine drugs, on June 20, 1990 Mr Justice Ian Kennedy was appointed as the judge to whom any actions were to

At an early stage Mr Justice Ian Kennedy imposed cut-off dates to determine who should be eligible to join in the group litigation. On June 28, 1991 he ordered that for claimants in respect of benzodiazepine drugs to be eligible to participate in the group litiga-tion they must have made an application for legal aid. if so desired and they must have served a writ and statement of claim, or in the county court, a summons and particulars of claim, before April 15, subsequently extended to August 31, 1992.

Those cut-off dates were given wide publicity and no complaint at the time was made about the

Halcion claimants asked that a new cut-off date be imposed. There was a fatal flaw in the

claimants' arguments for they had confused what the judge had done with its effect both in relation to legal aid and in relation to subsequent steps of proceedings by What Mr Justice Ian Kennedy

did was to decide that the Halcion claimants who had not made their applications for legal aid by the ut-off date should not be en to join the existing group litigation. He did not, indeed he could not. say that they would forever be precluded from presenting their

There was no substance in the matters on which the claimants relied as justification for their as to which his Lordship made no which could be put to the Legal Aid

There was no basis upon which the Court of Appeal could im with the proper exercise of dis-cretion by Mr Justice Ian Kennedy. As the Guide made clear, group litigation would become impossible if it was open-ended. Late additions of additional Halcion claimants would place intolerable delays and burdens not only upon defendants but also to the 500 existing Ativan and Va-

# **European Law Report**

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# No advisory opinions on hypothetical questions

Before Judge F. A. Schockweiler. acting as President, and Judges P.
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Almeida, M. Diez de Velasco and M. Zule

Advocate General G. Tesauro (Opinion April 18) Judgment July 16

The Court would exceed the limits of its jurisdiction if it were to rule The Count of Appeal ought to be particularly reluctant in group actions to interfere with a trial upon a problem which was of a hypothetical nature in the absence of the elements of fact or of law which were necessary to enable it to give a useful answer to the questions asked. management than the Court of Appeal could ever achieve, Inter-ference by the Court of Appeal with

The Court of Justice of the European Communities so held in declining to rule on questions submitted to it for a preliminary ruling by the Landgericht (Re-gional Court, Hanover.

Those questions had been raised in the context of proceedings ween Mr Meilicke and the defendant company, of which he board had refused to provide him with censin information during the general meeting of shareholders on February 16, 1990.

The dispute involved the ompanishity of the theory of rised non-cash subscriptions of capital, as developed, in particular, in the case law of the German Bundesperichtshof (Federal Supreme Count with the Second Directive No 77/91/EEC of the the co-ordination of safeguards which, for the protection of the interests of members and others were required by member states of nies within the meaning of article 58 of the EEC Treaty, in respect of the formation of public imited liability companies and the maintenance and alteration of their capital, with a view to making such safeguards equivalent (OJ 1977, No L26, pl).

The Landgericht, in the interests of legal certainty, decided to refer a number of questions to the Court of Justice of the European Communities for a preliminary

In its judgment, the European Coun held as follows:

Having regard to the consent in which the Landgericht had submitted the preliminary questions, it was necessary to recall and ciarify certain principles relating to the jurisdiction of the Court under article 177 of the EEC Treaty.

tion, the national count, which alone had direct knowledge of the facts of the case, was the best placed to determine the necessity for a preliminary ruling in order to easily it in give independ theying enable it to give judgment, having regard to the specific features of

In the context of that co-opera-

Consequently, where the ques-tions put by national course con-cerned the interpretation of a provision of Community law, the Court was, in principle, bound to give a ruling.

However, in Case 244/80 oglia v Novello [1981] ECR 3045), the Court took the view that it was for the Court of Justice, in order to confirm its own jurisdic-tion, to examine the conditions in it by the national count.

The spirit of co-operation which had to govern the operation of the preliminary ruling procedure required that, for its part, the national court should have regard to the power function of the Court of Justice which was to contribute to the administration of justice in the member states and not to deliver advisory opinions on general or hypothetical question

The need to provide an interpretation of Community law which court, made it essential to define the legal context in which the etation requested should be placed and, from that point of view, it might be convenient, in certain circumstances, for the facts in the case to be established and for questions of purely national law to be senied at the time the reference as to enable the latter to take cognisance of all the features of fact and of law which might be relevant to the interpretation of Com-munity law which it was called

In the absence of those elements the Court might find it impossible to give a useful interpetation.

In the light of those considerations, it was necessary first to serve that the specific framework of the dispute which had given rise to the preliminary ruling was fined by articles 131 and 132 of the Aktiengesetz [Law on Com-panies]. Those articles dealt with the right of a shareholder to be informed by the board of a

not relate directly to that law, but in substance raised the question of the compatibility of the theory of disguised non-cash subscriptions of capital, as derived in particula from the case law of the Bundesgerichtshof, with the Sec-

took the view that a reply to those information submitted by Mr Meilicke.In that regard, it emphasised that his application would have to be rejected if it were to prove that the theory of dis-guised non-cash subscriptions of apital was incompatible with the

It was apparent, however, from the file that it was not established that the conditions for the application for that theray were present in

the main proceedings.

ADV/ORGA disputed both dur ing the course of the prodecure before the national court and in its observations submitted to the Court of Justice that the German case law was applicable to the

The national court itself made a provisional declaration, indicating that it was possible that the bank's contribution was contrary to the case law in qu

It followed that the problem relating to the compatibility of the theory of non-cash subscriptions with the Second Directive was of a

It was then necessary to observe that the hypothetical nature of the problem upon which the Count was asked to make a ruling was was asked to make a ming was confirmed by the fact that the file did not specify the points of fact and law which would enable the conject in which the increase in capital of the company had taken place to be defined to establish the connection between the contribution made by the bank and the subscriptions, as explained in the German use law.

ferred specifically to the compatibility of that theory with the Second Directive and thereby raised several problems, the sol-utions to which depended, to a large entent, on circumstances in which the increase in capital had

in those circumstances, the Court was asked to rule on a question of a hypothetical nature without having available the ele-ments of fact or of law which were necessary for it to provide a useful realy to the anestions submitted to

It followed that the Court would meed the limits of its jurisdiction If it were to decide to answer to the iminary questions put to it. On those grounds, the Court

Landgericht, Hanover.

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# No duty to consult residents

Regina v Devon County Council. Ex parte Baker and Another Regina v Same, Ex parte

Regina v Durham County Council, Ex parte Curtis and Others

Before Mr Justice Popplewell Judgment July 9]

Local authorities were under no duty to consult with the residents before deciding to close the old people's homes where they were

Mr Justice Popplewell so held in the Queen's Bench Division dismissing applications for judicial review by Helen Mary Baker and Devon County Council to close Tory Brook and to phase out Ingleside residential homes in Plymouth, by Jean Annette Ruxton of the same council's to close Kingcraig residential home. Exmouth, and Mabel Curtis. Elizabeth Jan Broxson and James Sandywell of the decision by Durham County Council to close Ridgway House residential home at Station Town.

Mr Anthony Bradley for the for Devon County Council: Mr Anthony Porten, QC, for Durham

MR JUSTICE POPPLEWELL said the applicants were elderly residents at the homes concerned which were being closed or phased out because they were under used

or too expensive to maintain. The councils had a duty to provide residential accommodaion by section 21 of the National Assistance Act 1948. In each case the closure had been investigated council working parties or by

urmental enquiry. The decision to close was likely to cause great upset and distress in the lives of the residents who

deserved sympathy. But the court was not a court of appeal. Its role was supervisory, to ensure there was no misuse of Mr Bradley had argued that before the decision to close was

taken the councils had a duty to consult the residents or their duly appointed representatives.

There had in fact been no such

consultation, although everyone

was aware that none of the Mr Bradley had submitted that the right to be consulted was a freestanding element as part of the

duty of fair play. His Lordship rejected that argument. It was not self-evident that the residents had a right to be con-sulted. The proposition had no support from any decided case or from academic material. To adopt the proposition would give rise to

instrative chare. A right to be consulted could arise by express statutory provision or where the legislative intention could be shown by reference to the legitimate expectation in the sense used by Lord Diplock in Council of Civil Service Unions v Minister for the Civil Service (1985) AC 374). The fact that the residents had

come to the home expecting to spend the rest of their days there tion in that sense. Solicitors: F. Arthur Jones & Co. Exmouth, Gili Akaster, Plymouth and Turners, Hardepool; Mr J. A.

Sweeney, Exeter, Mr. Humphries, Durham.

# Coroner's jury discretion

Regina v Poplar Coroner, Exparte Chandhry Before Lord Justice Farmuhorson. Lord Justice Nourse and Lord

Judgment October 81 A coroner was not given a wide discretion by section 8(3) of the Coroners Act 1988 whether to summon a jury for an inquest. Under section 8(3)(d), his task was to consider whether there was reason to suspect that the death occurred in "circumstances the continuance or possible recur-rence of which is prejudicial to the health or safety of the public" and if it appeared that there were such tances then he had to

summon a jury. The Court of Appeal so stated when granting an ex pane re-newed application by Mrs Brigine Chaudhry for leave to move for judicial review of a decision by the coroner at Popiar Coroners Court on July 31, 1991. The coroner had declined Mirs Chaudhry's request to summon a jury for the inques on the death of her son in a road

application for judicial review was refused by Mr Justice Otton in

rules of court or even practice

directions to provide a procedural framework for complex multiparty litigation, Inevitably High 
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judge's procedural directions. The judge had a much bester perspec-

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the trial judge's directions on one aspect would often upon the coher-

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LORD JUSTICE HOFE-

MANN, concurring, said that a cut-off date was curried for the

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the lingation as a whole.

The imposition of a cut-off date

Mrs Chaudhry in person LORD JUSTICE FAR-QUHARSON, giving the judgment of the court, said that the death followed a shocking accident at traffic lights. The applicant's case was that the conduct of the offending driver, who drove across red lights, prejudiced the safety of the public.

After doing considerable re-search on she contended that the safety of the public at junctions

where there was a known risk of injury could be enhanced by installing surveillance cameras. It was a difficult case to determine whether the matter should be investigated by way of judicial review. But it was arguable that there existed reasonable grounds for suspecting the death was within the circumstances art out in section 8(3)(d) of the 1988 Act. If they did exist then the coroner was obliged

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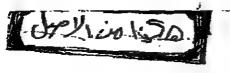
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balance in the scales of justice?

The debate will be led by Helena Kennedy QC, seconded by Geoffrey Robertson QC. They will be opposed by Christina Gorna, who will be seconded by Michael Kalisher QC. Lord Williams of Mostyn will be in the chair.

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# The bench is not a men's club

Sir Frederick

Lawton takes issue with a false

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re the judges as bad as Helena Kennedy QC The Times, October 8) thinks they are? Blinkered, arrogant, institutionalised, dependent on known forms and reluctant to contemplate change? In her book, Eve Was Framed, she listed other judicial vices, the most surprising being that they divide women into stereotypes - good fragrant wives being treated with cloying sen-

timentality, the others harshly.
All will be well in Ms
Kennedy's new legal world. More women will be appointed to the bench even if it means that the Lord Chancellor will have to initiate the fasttracking of the very able younger women. He should establish a new way of appointing supreme court judges and law lords.

There should, she says, be public debate about applicants for the bench, their track records and declared opinions being taken into account. If this ever happens, conversation in the Garrick will become very muted.

I suspect that Ms Kennedy, when she was a young barris-ter in the late 1960s, heard stocies about the way judges in the previous two or three decades had behaved and bad assumed that the unpleasant traits they had shown were passed from one judicial generation to another. Changes in udicial attitudes and behaviour came after 1945. It was rumoured that Lord Chancellors in those years were reluctant to appoint anyone to the bench who had not served in the armed forces during the 1939-45 war or because of special skills had been employed in government service. The war years were an education to all who lived through them.

Barristers of my generation ended the war years with a





much better understanding of the world that the law had to serve. The need for change and reform was widely accept ed. Those appointed to the bench after 1945 brought with them this new outlook and a distike of the patronising and arrogant attitudes shown by some of the older judges.
The retirement of Lord

Goddard as Lord Chief Justice in 1949 and the appointment of Lord Parker as his successor marked the beginning of a new era. The new Lord Chief Justice was a reforming judge. He wanted to establish a

bench of judges who shared his dislike of arrogance and rudeness and who were willing to accept change. He had a large measure of success.

Ms Kennedy, when charg-ing judges with being reluctant to contemplate change, has overlooked the fact that Lord Parker established training for judges and was always willing for them to be appointed, and they to serve, as chairmen or members of committees set up to advise on the reform of the law. Public concern about the

miscarriages of justice revealed in the past three years have led many, and Ms Kennedy is one, to infer that the appreciate the historical background. Before 1919, women judges were in some way responsible. In not one of these could not become barristers, cases was the conviction from whose ranks then and quashed because of anything until recently all judges had to the trial judge had done or omitted to do. Judges trying be recruited. For three or four years after 1919, a few women cases on indictment make no were called to the Bar. They findings of fact on the evidid not do well, perhaps dence. Doing so is the function because of prejudice against of the jury. A judge may dethem. It began to be thought scribe a woman as fragrant; that the Bar was not a career but a jury may decide otherfor women. When I started to wise when its members come read law at Cambridge in

to assess the evidence. It is woman doing so in my year. The difference between their assessment that matters. Those who criticise the Lord Chancelor for appointing so those years and now is perhaps

1932, there was only one

always turned up at lectures smartly dressed and wearing a hat. Although I started practice at the Bar in 1935 I did not have a woman opponent until 1947. She had been called to the Bar in the early

Shortly afterwards, I found myself against three much younger women who were to become judges, Rose Heil-bron, Elizabeth Lane and Nina Lowry, but I remember no others before I left the Bar in 1961.

As a result, 20 to 30 years later, the pool from which the Lord Chancellor could choose experienced and able barristers to become judges was tiny. From about the early 1960s women started coming to the Bar in considerable numbers.

In recent years, there have been as many women law students as men. They tend to get better degrees. But they do remain women and as such they have been handicapped by the biological factor that they bear children.

On doing so, some give up practice: others stay away for periods varying from a few weeks to years, during which they are not gaining experience. All these factors have reduced the number of women with the requisite qualifications for appointment to the bench. They may not do so to anything like the same extent in the future.

Past scarcity is also the explanation of why so few members of the ethnic minorities have been appointed to the bench. When I left the Bar in 1961, only about half a dozen of them were in practice. But from the 1970s onwards the Senate of the Inns of Court and leading members of the Bar have tried to help. Finding ways of doing so has not been easy. Chambers cannot be made to accept tenants from the ethnic minorities; and still less can solicitors be made to brief coloured barristers. Those with the requisite qualifications for appointment to the bench are still few in numbers. What is certain is that the judges welcome as advocates anyone who is competent, whatever their colour or gender.

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# France seeking to strike a blow for on-field discipline

FRANCE, more often sinners than sinned against, are lamenting, with some justification, that disciplinary standards invariably applied against them are not enforced against others. Bernard Lapasset, the president of the French federation, has anpealed to his South African visitors to mend their ways before the second international between the two countries in Paris on Saturday.
The cause of French breast-

beating, in the wake of their 20-15 defeat in Lyons, was the blow which laid low Abdelatif Benazzi, the replacement lock. Benazzi, whose own disciplinary record has some blots, was punched by Adri Geldenhuys shortly after coming on in the second half, though an x-ray revealed no broken bones. He should take his place in the squad this week.

There was an unpleasant esture and it was South African," Lapasset, who has been at the forefront of a drive to clean up the national side's image, said. "The French game has been accused so many times in the past that, as far as discipline is concerned, the match was a victory for us. The referee wasn't tough enough. We have changed our behaviour and I hope South African rugby will be able to do the same.

The question of discipline has rumbled throughout this tour. Andries van Heerden,

# **Nucifora** promoted to captain

By DAVID HANDS

DAVID Nucifora, the Queensland hooker, will lead the Australians against Munster in Cork tomorrow, when all those who took no part in the 38-11 win over Leinster at

the weekend will play. The only player to appear in both matches will be Dan Abe Malan, the South Africa manager, confirmed that Crowley, who replaced the injured Tony Daly last Saturday. Daily flies home on Thursday for treatment to a disc problem and his replacement, Matt Ryan, who toured South Africa with the Wallabies, is due to join the party

Nucifora has been capped only once, as a replacement against Argentina during the World Cup last year.

Uister, who play the Austra-lians at Ravenhill on Saturday, have named the XV which was lost 26-15 to London last weekend. In the only amendment, Derek McAleese, who was capped against France last season. ioins the replacements.

AUSTRALIA XV: T Keleher, D Smith, A Harbart, R Turnba, D'Arans, P Kalt, A Bant, C Liferap, D Nuclions, D Conview, M Brist, W Wangh, G Mongan, S Scott-Young, T Coler, Replacements: D Campes, T Horan, P Statistry, P Keerin, E McKerzos, T

the South African-born lock from Tarbes, accused his countrymen of violence during their match against Aquitaine in Pau. In Marseilles last week, the two sides came to blows, and South Africa's ability to handle themselves in that match against Provence seems to have influenced

It is scarcely appropriate to criticise this stand from a French team that behaved so fundamentally, an aggressive game which requires a bal-ance to be struck between hard and unacceptable play.

There is no question of an elated South African team disciplining Geldenhuys, the Eastern Provence lock, who has been sent off for violence in domestic rugby: the touring that the incident was spotted by a touch judge and a penalty awarded at the time. The blow, much televised since, was struck from behind and Geldenhuys himself required an x-ray in Beziers yesterday on a suspected broken wrist. The question for the French

selectors is whether to change their personnel or to hope that the same XV could hardly play so meekly again. There is unhappiness that Alain Penaud, the stand-off half, failed to follow the match plan and the selectors may hope for firmer leadership from Marc to be usurped by Aubin Hueber, the scrum half. The experimental nuck-

maul law did France no favours either. Members of the International Rugby Football Board's laws committee, who meet in a month's time. watched France sustain open play, only to be halted by desperate defence a few metres short and fail to win the consequent ruck, thus turning possession over.

In other words, they had produced the exciting play, they had fallen just short of scoring and then found themselves penalised by losing the ball. In that respect, South Africa were well served by the strength of their forwards and the centre, Danie Gerber, a point appreciated by Peter Rossborough, the England B assistant coach, who was

Their upper-body strength impressed me throughout, their two lineout men proved quite athletic and they chased kicks very well, to put a lot of pressure on the ball receiver. Rossborough said. Geoff Cooke and Dick Best, manager and coach of England's senior team, will attend the match in Paris.

England field a B team against the South Africans in Bristol on November 7, a week before the senior international at Twickenham. Squads for both matches are expected to Cécilion, whose role appeared be announced today.

# Roberts holds key to S African selection

FROM CHRIS THAU IN BEZIERS

SOUTH Africa's win by 20-15 over France in the international at Lyons on Saturday has has made the game against a Languedoc selection here today less critical, although there are still doubts over certain posi-

some changes in the team might be made for the next international in Paris if players produced high-calibre performances against

If the Transvaal hooker, Harry Roberts - not a favourite of the coaches because of his comparatively inaccurate throw-in - makes a greater impact in the tight, while maintaining his high workrate in the loose, the selectors might be convinced to move Willie Hills from hooker back to tight-head prop at the expense of Henrich Rodgers, who often struggled against the experienced

Armary. At centre, Heinrich Fuls, returning to the side after an injury in Toulouse, could challenge the experienced Danie Gerber, whose defence was fiercely criticised during

more like championship con-

tenders in recent weeks, are

tipped to share the spoils at

Rangers. Rangers have drawn three times at home, Leeds

West Bromwich Albion

have lost their way, and the

second division leadership. They will find it hard to regain

momentum against improv-ing Rotherham United and will probably be held to a

home draw for the first time

this season. Stoke City and Port Vale, both in form, look

like producing a draw in their

three times away.

team after he was injured in the opening game in Borstanding performance to upstage the young Northern Transvaal winger, Jacmore than adequate interna-

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ex F Howerd (England).

□ Luxembourg have withdrawn from the first qualifying tournament for the 1995 Rugby World Cup, which will be held in Andorra next week. They are unable to field a team, so Andorra, Switzerland and Denmark will play a round robin competition to

decide who goes through to

the next European qualifying

France. On the wing, Peter Hendriks, also back in the

tional debut on Sat-

Not for the first time in a World Series, the hero of the drama emerged from the supporting cast, Until Sunday night, Sprague was better known as the husband of Kristin Sprague, who won an Olympic gold medal for syn-

chronised swimming in Barlike her husband, is an American, and it did not belp his relationship with the Blue Jays supporters that she beat a

plate as a pinch hitter in the top of the ninth inning, his team trailed 4-3 and, with a man on first base, was two outs from defeat. Atlanta's experienced closing pitcher, Jeff Reardon, greeted him with a low fastball, which is just what Sprague likes, and he clouted it 370 feet into the

Sprague seemed almost as

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and minor controversies. which suffered by comparison with the pomp and circumstance of the opening night.

lead with an unearned run in the second inning, and they extended it in the fourth when Mark Lemke singled home

Bream went quickly from hero to goat, as the saying here stopped by Tyson; a good heavyweight but a small one. Lewis is a good heavyweight

# HOCKEY - Finchfield will travel

NOTTINGHAM, winners in 1976, have been drawn at home against Finchfield in the second round of the Royal Bank of Scotland Cup on November 1 (Sydney Friskin

wzites). Jersey, who survived the first round with a 2-0 win over Piymouth, must travel to the mainland to play West Wilts. Ipswich, who beat Romford 6l, will travel to Luton Town.

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Looking towards a happy future: Lewis laughs off the threat of his next opponent, Donovan "Razor" Ruddock, in London yesterday

# Lewis extends no charity to Ruddock

BOSTING CONTRESPONDENT

AFTER Frank Brune, Britain's other world heavyweight contender, Lennox Lewis, prepares to step into the ring Lewis's opponent at will be Donovau "Razor" Ruddock, of Canada, a slightly different proposition from the man Bruno faced, Pierre Coetzer, of South Africa, on Saturday. Ruddock is the world No. 1 and the most feared heavyweight in the top

Lewis, who arrived back in London on Friday after six weeks' training in the Pocono weight, like Bruno, to push Compared to Brune, Lewis looked positively athletic at

"I look at this as a world champion fight," Lewis said yesterday. "I'm down 5lb from the last time I fought. Whatever my weight on the day, I'll be satisfied but it definitely won't be 17st 6lbs [Bruno's weight]. All the hard work I put in has brought my weight down."
He was unmoved by

Ruddock's threat to knock him out. "He said only God could help me." Lewis said. "It doesn't affect me in any way. He needs to keep his mouth busy because Tyson broke his jaw. He has to work

cerned about the future of the coalminers than the one Ruddock was planning for him. Lewis has given the miners £15.000 worth of ring-side tickets. "The money has come from his purse." Lewis's manager, Frank Maloney, said. "A letter was sent to Arthur Scargill and he tas accepted the offer."

"I feel very bad for them: 30,000 being put out of work." Lewis said. "I've grown up in poverty. I know what they are going through, especially to have a job and

"Ruddock's got to land the Correa, was very pleased with big shot. He is very dangerous if you let him hit you on the training in the United States. "You are going to see the chin. Lennox is one of the a different Lewis," Correa best defensive fighters. I think we are going to take him [Ruddock] to school. said "he is 50 per cent better than the one that beat Mike Lennox is so versatile he is a Dizon. Now we call him pleasure to work with." Lennox Too Sharp' Lewis." Correa, who trained three

Neither Ruddock's big punch nor the fact that Floyd Patterson has been training world champions, including Sugar Ray Leonard, believes him worried Correa. "If he Lewis will be his fourth world has to have Patterson doing the thinking for him he's in serious trouble. Patterson

Lewis, who has a training team of five, which includes Mike Weaver, the former world heavyweight champion, will complete his training programme at the Henry Cooper on the Old Kent Road

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# Sprague a hit in Blue Jays cameo

BASEBALL

FROM KETTH BLACKMORE

THE Toronto Blue Jays returned home to the SkyDome with the wind filling their sails yesterday. A minth-inning home run by an unheralded pinch hitter, Ed Sprague, gave them a 5-4 victory over the Atlanta Braves here on Sunday night and levelled the 89th World Series at 1-1.

Starting tonight, the next three sames are in Toronto, the first time World Series matches have been held outside the United States. And, if the Blue Jays can win them all, they will claim the championship without having to return to American soil.

Canadian, Sylvie Frechette, into second.

That is likely to be forgotten now. When he came to the enclave of Toronto supporters beyond the left-field fence.

shocked by his achievement as the Braves were. "I didn't see it. When I looked up, I was looking right into the lights but I knew I hit it good. It was so exciting," he said. That splendid moment illu-

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minated what was otherwise a game more notable for errors

The tone was set before the first pitch was made. Someone hung the Canadian flag upside down, bringing a prompt and fulsome apology from the sport's (American) governing body, Major League Baseball. A fielding error by the Toronto short stop, Manuel Lee, helped Atlanta to take the

ed: Sanders singled, stole a base, advanced on a throwing error by Borders, then scored when justice singled. That was the end of the Toronto starting pitcher, David Cone, but his successor could not stop Pendleton making the score 4-2 on Hunter's

goes. In the next inning, his

then Lee, to score for the Blue

Jays. In the bottom of the

same inning, Atlanta respond-

can't be in the ring with him.
"Remember Ruddock was

sacrifice fly. After a protest by the Toronto manager, Cito Gaston, in the sixth, Smoltz, the Atlanta starter, was forced to remove some tape from his nonthrowing arm but his pitching control was already coming unstuck and he was replaced

in the seventh. At this point, an Atlanta victory still seemed likely, but in the eighth, Winfield's single scored Alomar, making it 4-3 and setting the stage for Sprague's dramatic entry.

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APPEARANCES are often deceptive. Nottingham Forest, four points adrift at the foot of the Premier League, are not playing as badly as their position indicates and they can hold Sheffield United to a draw at Bramail Lane.

Coventry City v Chelsea and Queens Park Rangers v Leeds United are other treble chance probabilities in the top section. Coventry's healthy position is mostly down to their away form. At home they are liable to drop points, so do not be surprised if Chelsea capitalise. Leeds, who have looked

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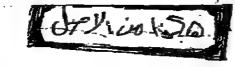
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# Jockey Club rejects strike plan but calls early summit

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AN EMERGENCY summit of racing leaders is being organised by Lord Hartington to discuss the crisis facing the

The move by the Jockey Club senior steward coincided yesterday with Portman Square rejecting - albeit in the most sympathetic manner. - the call by Bill Gredley for a one-day strike by owners.

Hartington has written to the seven members already appointed to the British Horseracing Board and the candidates for the three remaining seats. A meeting to discuss "future strategy" will be held "at the earliest possible moment" — probably early next month, before the board is formally constituted.

In a statement, Hartington and his fellow stewards said they were "fully aware of the deep concern felt throughout the racing and breeding industries." but believed the "appropriate response."

"The comments which the

Jockey Club has received from Westminster and Whitehall indicate that strike action at the moment will not be effective," the statement said.
With plans for the BHB

being finalised, the annual levy negotiations coming to a head, and discussions with the government over VAT and bloodstock continuing this is a sensitive time in racing

# National prize-money up

THE Grand National will buck the trend of dwindling prize-money by this season offering a winning purse of more than £100,000 for the first time in its 156-year

day Aintree meeting, an increase of £54,000 on this year. This includes a £5,000 boost Following the budget day cut in betting duty, the stewards said they wanted to build on the constructive relationship which had been forged with government and they felt "this would not be helped by any boycon which could cause divisions within racing."

In a telling passage, the Portman Square statement added: "Racing has been severely underfunded since 1961, but the government and bookmakers have seen their revenues from racing

"in magnificent

# for the National which will

maintain its status as Europe's richest jumping prize. The increase was announced at a reception at Nick Gaselee's Lambourn stable,

history.

Martell are putting more than £350,000 into the threehome of the 1992 Grand National winner, Party Politics. Gaselee reported Party shape" and on course for next month's Hennessy Gold Cup.

maintained at healthy levels. However, owners who provide the major financial input cannot be expected to continue their involvement unless racing's share of the money it generates is a fair one." Bill Gredley was the first to

acknowledge the importance of Hartington's summit call. "It is an amazing statement The Jockey Club is setting a lead. It is the first time ever that the Jockey Club has come off the fence and said they will

"It looks as though they are trying to slap me gently over the wrist for having suggested a strike, but at the same time putting an arm round my shoulders to show that some

thing is happening."
Given the unexpectedly pos-tive nature of the Jockey Club statement, Gredley will reflect overnight whether the one-day strike on November 2 should go ahead. I confidently expect him to call off the day of action or suspend it — given the success he has achieved.

# Snurge caps Cole's fine weekend

PAUL Cole completed a highly profitable weekend in North America when Snurge. a 5-1 chance, took the £297,196 Rothmans International at Woodbine, Toronto, on Sunday night.

Twenty-four hours earlier the Whatcombe trainer had captured another grade one event when Zoman and Alan Munro won the £239,362 Budweiser International at Laurel, Maryland. Snurge, ridden by Richard

Quinn, was awarded the Rothmans in the stewards' room after finishing half-a-length second to Wiorno. Of the other British challengers, Saddlers' Hall fin-ished fifth, Beyton sixth, Mashaallah eleventh and

Spinning twelfth.

Hatoof, ridden by Walter
Swinburn, confirmed her return to top form when win-ning the E P Taylor Stakes. Ruby Tiger finished fourth and Party Cited lifth. Criquette Head may now run Hatoof in the Breeders' Cup Turf on Saturday week.

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# Golden Guest can initiate **Chepstow double for Cecil**

JULIE Cecil and Paul Eddery can team up to land a twoyear-old double at Chepstow today with Golden Guest and

Golden Guest, their runner in the Pat Eddery 200-In-A-Season Maiden Fillies' Stakes. ran particularly well on her second outing at Newmarket earlier this month when she split Nicer and Desert Venus in the Alington Stakes.

As Nicer had finished fifth in the group one Moyglare Stud Stakes at the Curragh on her previous start and Desert Venus had finished second at Goodwood to Rain Brother, the winner of his next two races, the form is solid.

Following that promising first run at Newcastle, where he was beaten only a short head by Spice And Sugar, Louvre is napped to win the Copse Maiden Stakes. His trainer was well satisfied with that first run and he

was arguably unlucky not to get the race in the stewards' room as he got a hefty bump from the winner close home. The way that he stayed on at the end of six furlongs

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

suggested he will be in his element over today's trip. Earlier, Two Left Feet can take Mark Prescott a step closer to his first half-century

in the Spinney Stakes. Two Left Feet has already made three notable contributions to the stable's tally by winning at Brighton, Salisbury and Ripon; and he also

Cecil: two likely juvenile

looked unlucky not to score after that at Haydock. The finish of the Meadow

Handicap is likely to be fought out between Will Of Steel and Lahoob, who finished second on the same card at York ten days ago. Lahoob, beaten a length by Drummer Hicks, is marginally preferred to Will Of Steel, who went under by the same margin to Densben.

Mrs Cecil should also be among the winners at Chester with Iota, for whom Michael

the Tattenhall Handicap. Roberts two other eye-catching rides there: the promising Clive Brittain-trained new-comer Ertion in the first division of the Salmey Maiden Stakes and Cachou in the

Roberts has been booked in

Bunbury Handicap.
Last time out Cachou was beaten only a neck at Goodwood by Plan Ahead, who went on to beat that talented filly Only Royale in a valuable

handicap at Ascot. Barry Hills, always a man to be feared at Chester, can land the Queensferry Graduation Stakes with the consistent

**GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD** 

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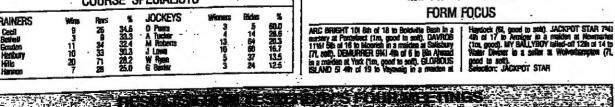
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# St Jovite to join strong Classic raid

ST JOVITE, Jolypha and Garden Of Heaven will join Rodrigo De Triano in Eu-rope's strongest assault on the \$3 million Breeders' Cup Classir at Gulfstream Park on Saturday week (Michael Seely It is also possible that Arazi

Breeders' Cup Mile to the Classic. However, Brief Truce definitely runs in the Mile. Announcing his decision yesterday, Jim Bolger said: "St Jovite doesn't have a lot to prove over a mile and a half on grass. As his stud career will be in America, we'd like to prove his versatility over ten furlongs

Pat Eddery is to renew his partnership with Jolypha and Michael Roberts will ride Garden Of Heaven, an impressive group two winner at Longchamp on Sunday.
"Michael thinks it's well

worthwhile sending him," Clive Brittain said. "We're also going to enter Mr Martini for the Colts' Juvenile and Love Of Silver for the Fillies'." Brittain runs Ivanka in Saturday's Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster, 11 having been declared yesterday for the last

group one race of the season in Britain, Ladbrokes make Desert Secret 3-1 favourite and then bet: 4-1 Armiger, Maril-

# PLUMPTON

2.10 Tapestry Dancer. 2.40 Coe. 3.10 Caroles Clown. 3.40 Kinglisher Bay. 4.10 Handsome Ned. 4.40 Carrikins. THUNDERER

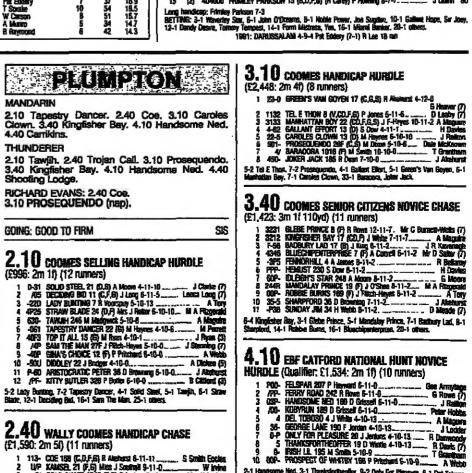
2.10 Tawiin. 2.40 Trojan Call. 3.10 Prosequendo. 3.40 Kingfisher Bay. 4.10 Handsoms Ned. 4.40 Shooting Lodge. RICHARD EVANS: 2.40 Cos. 3.10 PROSEQUENDO (nap).

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM



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3	21	GOLD SHAFT 1046 (F,G) R Ledger 9-10-11 Mrs H Ledger
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ž	21.60	GABISH 22 (C.F.B) R Voorspay 7-10-3 A Tory
•	2.00	SERIOZHA 4 (F) R Curtis B-10-3 D Monts
	240	SCHALLER 4 (F) II CARE B-10-3
8	4060	RIVA'S TOUCH 4 (F.5) Mrs A King 9-10-3
9	-044	ABEROY 24 (0.F.6) M Ryan 13-10-0 J Ryan (3)
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11	526-	TROJAN CALL 171 (6) R Rene 5-10-0 T Granthern

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ICXEVS: A Magazine, 11 minutes from 34 ridges, 32.4%; S class, 7 from 23, 30.4%; A whiteby, 3 from 18, 23.1%; A Dura from 20, 23.3%; Data Markenson, 15 from 23, 20.5%; A Service	Smith roody.





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Placepot: £42.60

Folkestone

4.00 (Im 11 213yd) 1, Frescode (A Munro. 11-10 fav; Private Handlespper's top rating); 2 Major Yasat (11-1); 3, Hoose (5-1), 13 ran, NF; Pistols At Dawn, 1; 2/8; P Cole, Tote: 21.70; 21.50, 21.70, 21.50. DF; 28.60, CSF; 212.92.
4.90 (Im 11 231yd) 1, Manasarch (S Cauthan, 6-4 fav); 2, Phrose (100-30), 3, Safr (3-1), 11 ran, NF; Basez, 2, 2/84, A Scott, Tote: 22.90; 21.50, 71.60, 51.20. E1.20. E1.20, 08.70 DF: \$18.10. CSF: 220.83.
4.50 (1m 4n) 1, Sherp Top (D Biggs, 2-1 tss); 2, Surf Boet (5-1); 3, Altmosa (7-2). 13 res. NR: Belled Ruier, Be My Era. 134, 81 M Ryen, Tote: 22.70; \$1.50, 53.10, \$1.50. DF: 23.70. CSF: \$15.36.
5.20 (1m 4f) 1, Pride Of Britain (Mr D Salter, 13-2); 2, Cathos (12-1); 3, The Keracice King (14-1); 4, Lonesome Train (16-1). Cerrolis Martz 2-1 fax. 18 res. NR: Chaine Soure, Horton. 294, 31 L Cottrail. Tose: \$7.60; \$2.00, \$2.40, \$2.40, \$5.60. DF: \$3.190. CSF: \$97.63. Tricast; \$1.044.80. Placesont: \$28.90

Placepot: 98.90

Edinburgh \_ Coling good
2.15 (Im 16yd) 1, Ballyranter (J Outro, 2-1); 2, Brantoles Way, (10-1); 3, Phil-Man (25-1); Express Senice 8-11 tay, 5 rat. 1yi, 7, H Colingridge, Tota: 23-30; £1 10, 23-30, DF: 24-30, CSF - 16 64.
2.45 (Im 16yd) 1, Secure (J Carrol, 2-1); 2, Lady Gair (33-1); 3, Forever Shinaing (50-1), Ameson Ameson 6-4 fav. 8 rat. Nk, 1yl. M Prescott, Tota: 23-60; £1-10, £7-30, 23-10, DF: £1-8, 40, CSF - 194, 67: 31-577 [Fed. 1), Dolldha Oveton (J Carrol, 3-1577 [Fed. 1), Dolldha Oveton (J Carrol, 3-1577 [Fed. 1), Dolldha Oveton (J Carrol, 3-1577 [Fed. 1), Dolldha Oveton (J Carrol). 99.10. DF: \$118.40. CSF: 248.67.
3.15 (71 15yd) 1. Dickida Oyston (J. Carroll, 11-1); 2. Lawnswood Junior (3-1 ke/); 3. Biue Crit (10-1); 4. Gebbechni (12-1); 16 ran. Shihol, nk. J Berry, Tote: 215.10. 23.10, 21.50, 22.40, \$3.00. DF: £15.10. 23.10, 21.50, 22.40, \$3.00. DF: £15.30. CSF: \$44.84. Tricasi: £332.79.
3.45 (71 15yd) 1. Caburnal News (71 Cockman, 6-5 tex); 2. Trets (12-1); 3. Mar. Indeed (5-1), 12 ran. NR | prescript Mars.

294. N. M. Tomplate. Tota: £1.70: £1.20, \$3.60, £2.10. DF: £15.90. CSF: £17.59. 4.15 (1m 4f 31yd) 1, John Shaw (P. Burke, 11-2): 2, Notad Strain (7-1): 3, Seraphin (A. 1). Big Per 5-2 fev. 12 mm. 11. 394. C Troide: Tota: £10.00; £2.20, £2.60, £2.20. DF: £22.80. CSF: £45.02. 222.20. CSP: 245.02. 4,45 (5) 1, Little Sabotaur (T Sprake, 4-1); 2, Kaler (14-1); 3, The Right Time (7-1) Sartigla 100-30 (ev. 12 ran. 1%), 21 P Makin. Tote: 23.60; 21.80; 24.30, 22.60 DF: 222.60, CSF: 257.02. Tricest, 5361.61. Fakenham

Going: good 2.10 (2m 110yd hdle) 1, Enfant Du Peradis (T Wall, 8-11 lay); 2, Windsor Highness (5-1), 3, Solid (7-4), 6 ren. 7, 251, P Evens. Tota: £1 90; £1 30, £1 80, DF: £2.90, CSF: £5.18 Tota: £1.90; £1.20, £1.80. DF: £2.90. CSF: £5.18.

2.40 (2m 5i hdie) 1, Notany-Nowali (Mr Paul Musphy, 7-2); 2. See Bresher (11-10 les); 3, Haran B Binchein (13-8), 5. sen. NR: Far Out. 71, 234. F. Musphy, Tota: £3.50; £1.30, £1.40. DF: £4.20 CSF: £6.02.

3.10 (2m 100yd ch) 1, Striding Edge (R Durwcood), 100-80), 2, Elies-Ess (9-2); 3, Iwesph Lad (12-1), Bol Weessh £3.11 les, 5 ran. 12l, dest. J. Jeridons. Tota: £4.10, £1.10, £2.60 DF: £8.10 CSF: £16.04.

3.40 (2m 110yd hdie) 1, High Finance (A Maguire, 18-1); 2, Amigos (7-4 fav); 3, Kronprinz (11-2), 12 ran. 2, nk. R Westwer. Tota: £13.20; £2.70, £2.20, £2.10. DF: £23.40. CSF: £4.81. Tribast: £184.31.

4.10 (2m £1.10yd ch) 1, Lure Anew (J Osborne, 7-2); 2, Fiddle A Little (11-6); 3, Rahsb Verster (16-1) 5 ran. 18l, 3l (Osharwood, Tota: £3.20; £1.30, £1.60. DF: £3.80. CSF: £3.85.

£3 80. CSF: £8.95.
4.40 (2m 110y) hdie) 1, Amazon Express
(J Ostrome, 100-30); 2, Utrito (3-1 §- lav); 3,
Norradio Rose (11-2). Dublin indemnity 3-1
[J-lav. 14 mm. 15; 2% IR Akelrunt. Tota:
£4.40; £2.40, £1.80, £2.00. DF. £41.80.

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By MINCRELL PLATTS GOLF CORRESPONDENT ENGLAND were worthy win

would win groups one, three and four respectively. Most of the golf on that day, therefore was purely academic.

The problem stemmed from

using the lowest aggregate medal scores throughout the

round robin section to deter-

mine a ne should two or more

teams in the same group have

ment director, admitted that it

had looked good on paper, but

that in practice the competi-

tion lost some of its matchplay

element. "That is a key part of the too mainers," he said. "We

have several options, all of which will be discussed."

The new format sought to eliminate the possibility of one of the seeded teams making a

premature departure. The

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David Garland, the tourns

# Wilkinson pleads for calm from Leeds supporters

By STUART JONES, FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

HOWARD Wilkinson yesterexcitement encircling Elland Road as well as Glasgow. As hundreds of Leeds United supporters queued around the perimeter of their ground to purchase tickets for the second leg of the European Cup tie against Rangers, he appealed for calm amid the impending storm in north of the border.

The unofficial British championship, as the contest is naturally regarded, will inevitably be feverishly passionate, even though no away supporters are to be present. The first leg tomorrow night at librox, where the 45,000 capacity is almost double that of Leeds, promises to be a particularly heady occasion.

Wilkinson does not foresee his team necessarily being inhibited by the contribution of the crowd, although the noise will contrast vividly with the eerie solemnity of Barcelona's Nou Camp. It was there,

ten days ago, that Leeds beat VfB Stuttgart 2-1 in the controversial third game in the first round.

You would rather have 45,000 spectators against you than just 4,500," the Leeds manager said. "Besides, they can't kick the ball and they can't tackle you. The tendency is that the bigger the crowd, the less you hear. All you do hear is a roar and competitive players don't mind that."

Yet he recognises that Leeds need to learn from the mistake they committed in Stuttgart. The collective defensive irre-sponsibility in the closing stages allowed the German champions to build a 3-0 lead, an advantage which would have been decisive but for their infamous administrative error

a fortnight later. "Some players thought that if we don't win or draw here, we'll be out of the European Cup. You have to keep your

# Liverpool look to Wright

MARK Wright looks certain to get the chance to present the case for his defence when Liverpool play the away leg of their Cup Winners' Cup tie at Spartak Moscow on Thursday. The central defender, who has been overlooked by club and country of late, is likely to replace the ineligible

Dane, Torben Piechnik. Liverpool are also expected to recall Michael Thomas and Rob Jones for the trip to Moscow. Wright missed the

TREVOR Francis, the Shef-

field Wednesday player-man-

ager, yesterday described his

team as novices upon arriving

in Germany for the Uefa Cup tie against Kaiserslautern here

Francis was not preparing the ground for excuses should

things go awry in the second-

round, first-leg tie. By stating the obvious, he was simply

hoping to use the truth as a

novices when it comes to European football," he said.

There is a wealth of experi-

ence in my side but we are not

seasoned campaigners. How-

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"I do believe that we are

motivating force.

United on Sunday despite having recovered from a thigh injury. Thomas and Jones have just come off the injurylist and Jan Molby's ankle injury and the restriction on foreign players looks certain to open the way for them.

Liverpool are the first club

to be guaranteed a £1 million pay-out this year from the BSkyB pot. All 22 teams receive £650,000, as well as

Hirst might not be risked

FROM IAN ROSS IN KAISERSLAUTERN

ever, we do have some players

tactics go down the pan. You hope lessons like that don't take too much time to sink in. You have to maintain your objective even when you con-cede a goal or a player is injured. You mustn't lose your head, concede silly free kicks or get too affected by the crowd. That is what can

grip on the heart." Steve Hodge and Rod Wallace have yet to convince Wilkinson that they are fit for consideration. Both played for the reserves against Notts

happen when you don't keep a

County last night.
They are initially restricted only to the club's 21,000 season ticket-holders. Even though they can be collected at any time throughout the week until Saturday, the line of patient applicants stretched along two sides of the stadium.

If any team is going to stop the all-powerful AC Milan side from completing the for-mality of winning this season's European Cup, it is going to be either Leeds United or Rangers, according to Brian Laudrup, the Florentina and Danish international. Laudrup believes that British football's positive and aggres-

Italians by surprise.
The Milan midfield might not be ready for the kind of attacks which British teams can put together," he said. "In Italy, you have time: British teams don't give you that. I played against Leeds 18 months ago in a friendly when I was with Bayern Munich and they have the ability."

himself, have already been

discounted and Palmer, Bart-

Williams and Warhurst face

Hirst, the England interna-

tional forward, who played his

first competitive game in seven

weeks at the weekend, is in

contention for a place.

late fitness tests.

sive style of play could take the



# Elway strikes late to sink Oilers

AMERICAN FOOTBALL BY ROBERT KIRLEY

JOHN Elway, of the Denver Broncos, leading an array of quarterbacks who sparkled in the National Football League on Sunday, provided another victories, 27-21 over the Houston Oilers, in a game between division leaders.

Houston, of the American Football Conference (AFC) Central, led 21-20 on Warren Moon's seven-yard pass to Haywood Jeffires with two

NFL: Chicago 31, Tempa Bay 14; Cleve-land 17, Green Bay 8; Dallas 17, Konsas, Cty 10; San Diago 34, Inadianapolis 14; Washington 16, Philadelphia 12; LA Rema 38, NY Gisnis 17; Marri 38, New England 17; New Orleans 30, Princenz 21; San Francaco 36, Allanta 17; LA Reiders 19, Sauttle D. Demos 27, Horston 21.

minutes to play, but Elway drove 80 yards, Reggie Rivers scoring on a 20-yard run. Elway has produced three fourth-quarter comebacks for the AFC West leaders this season, 22 in his career.

Steve Young passed for 399 yards and three touchdowns to lead the San Francisco 49ers past the Atlanta Falcons 56-17. Young exploited a pass defence that lacked Deion Sanders, who is in the

World Series with the Atlanta Braves baseball team. Jerry Rice caught two touchdown passes and ran for a third, and Ricky Watters scored three times to contribute to a club record for points in a game.

Dan Marino, of the Miami Dolphins, completed four touchdown passes in a 38-17 win over the New England Patriots. Miami, the only undefeated team, have not started a season with six wins

since 1984. Marino hit on 21 of 30 passes for 294 yards, including two acoring tosses to Keith Jackson.

Jim Harbaugh passed for a career-best 304 yards to give the Chicago Bears a 31-14

victory over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Harbangh completed 13 of 26 tosses for two touchdowns, including an 83yarder to Anthony Morgan. Randall Cunningham, of the Philadelphia Engles, be-came the career rushing lead-

er among quarterbacks, although the Washington Redskins ruined his day with a 16-12 victory. He was sacked five times and limited to 207 yards passing. Cunningham's 39 rushing yards gave him a total of 3,683.

The Los Augeles Raiders, sparked by Nick Bell's 66yard scoring run, beat the Seattle Scaluswiss 19-0 for their third consecutive win after four defeats. Stan with the London Monarchs.

sought to protect their lievest ment, since previously Se-eriano Ballesteros Gieg Norman and Curis S captain, said: 'I like the pld format better, but in carries

to all 16 nations it is more to give every team the opportunity of playing more golf, as many have travelled thou-sands of miles to be at St organisers will have to do some fine tuning."

There is unlikely to be a

because the organisers belie that the round-robin format worked. They will, however, need to address the procedure of separating teams with the method would be to have three points — equal to the number of games in each match — available, so that a team which as in 2-4 ches

Another would be to still give one point for each match, but to segment ties on games won rather than medal scores. Both methods would ensure that the process could be decided only on Saturday.

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# CRICKET: ZIMBABWE CAPTAIN MARKS FIRST TEST WITH CENTURY

# Patient Houghton earns reward

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN HARARE

"I am very aware that Continental sides, particularly German sides, are very good on the counter-attack," he

Francis will spend the early part of this afternoon attempt-

ing to ascertain exactly which members of an already depletwho have been around on the international circuit and some ed squad are fit enough to face others who have experienced Five players, Nilsson, King, Jemson, Shirtiff and Francis football at this sort of level."

Irrespective of how well Kaiserlsautern perform this evening, they will provide Wednesday with a significantly more arduous and demanding task than did Spora Luxembourg in the competi-

tion's first round. Wednesday won that tie 10-2 on aggregate but, as Francis was swift to acknowledge, all German teams are well organised and proficient, irrespective of their individual

With his general level of fitness debatable, however, DAVID Houghton, the Zimand defence the priority, Hirst could find himself on the babwe cantain, made the first hundred for his country yestersubstitutes' bench with either Warhurst or Waddle handed day in its inaugural Test match here with India. Houghton, 35, first appeared in first-class cricket 14 years the responsibility for seeking a ago in the days when Rhodesia took part in South Africa's Currie Cup. He has prolonged his career since Zimbabwean

independence in the hope that he would acquire a Test cap. In romantically fulfilling a lifetime ambition, Houghton became the first man since Charles Bannerman, of Australia in March 1877, during the first Test match against England, to make a century for his country in its inaugural Test. By the close, Zimbabwe were 406 for five from 190 overs, with Houghton 110 not out after a chanceless innings. Normally a carefree, swashbuckling strokemaker, Houghton donned a hair

shirt. He took 52 overs to

reach his fifty and 81 for his

was an arduous experience. On the world's most lifeless pitch, the Indians stuck to a hopeless task with admirable. dedication. When Houghton reached his 100 with a four through mid-wicket off Srinath, the small crowd, of around 500, rose to its feet. The Indian fielders led the applause and continued to clap long after the spectators had stopped.
Zimbabwe had a solitary

aim: to occupy the crease and to learn the self-imposed discipline for five-day cricket. In end, he was lucky to survive a doing so, they have shown chance to Kapil above his

eleventh four after just over

five hours' batting.

After two days, the Zimba-bwe run-rate has narrowly

crept above two runs an over.

Yesterday, their hourly scoring was successively 17, 47, 21, 44, 63 and, against a new ball,

For both the Indians and

spectators, in different ways, it

century, which came with his their resentment at the criticism they encountered when

given Test status. It was a marvellous toss to win and Zimbabwe were absolutely determined that they would not be shot out for around 200. They have fulfilled their objective and it has to be accepted as a triumph for what application on a dead pitch can achieve. India captured only two

wickets, both caught by Azharuddiin to his right at: second slip off Prabbakar. Burmester, nightwatchman, pushed forward after half an hour and edged an outswinger. A resolute Pycroft yielded to a oneday shot soon after lunch and was taken as he tried to steer a

ball to third man.
The left handed Andrew Flower then dropped anchor-but occasionally scored smoothly off his legs. Near the head at first slip off Prabhakar.

Houghton permitted him-self a rare lofted drive, pull and square cut but he seldom emerged from his cocoon of watchfulness. The sixth-wicket stand has so far added 154 and one gathers that Zimbabwe have no intentions of declaring before testime day, if they get that far.

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BOWLING: Kepli Dev 32-11-83-1; Prabhater 37-14-49-2; Srinath 34-11-82-1; Raju 39-15-79-0; Kombie 31-10-84-1; Stree-th 17-3-82-0. in 17-3-82-0, RNDA: "M. Acherucklin, R. J. Shesiri, W.V. Reman, S.R. Tendulicar, S.V. Manyrokur, Xapil Dav, H.S. Mose, M.B. Prabhakar, J. Srivatin, S. L. V. Reju, A. Kurnbin, Umpires: H D Sird (Eng) and I Robinson

FOOTBALL

Borusele Dortmund v Celtic (8.15) ..... Kalserslautern v Sheffield Wed (8.15)

Second round, first leg

Uefa Cup

# YACHTING

# Tudor adds seven miles to his lead

RICHARD Tudor and his crew on British Steel II pulled away a further seven miles from their closest rivals in the British Steel Challenge yester-day during the final dash to Rio de Janeiro, the first stop in this round-the world race (Barry Pickthall writes).

In second place, Interspray, skippered by Paul Jeffes, has dropped 17 miles behind the pace-setters. Health Insured is

pace-seiters. Health Insured is in third place.

LEADING POSITIONS (at 14.00 GMT vestedby with miles to Flo De Janeiro): 1, British-Steel II, (R Tudo), 1,255; 2, Intersprey (P Jeffes), 1,246; 3, Health Insured (A Donover), 1,253; 4, Group 4 Securities (M Golding), 1,765; 5 Pride of Tessible (M Golding), 1,765; 5 Pride of Tessible (M Goldings), 1,694; 6, Hottmau Lager (P Goss), 1,655; 7, Rhone-Poulenc (J O'Driscoti), 1,834; 8, Coopers & Lybrard (V Cheny), 1,528; 9, Nuclear Electric (J Criterscher), 1,334; 10, Commercial Union (W Sutherland), 2,083.

The Times, in association with Sky Sports, offers readers the opportunity to win a luxury package to the world heavy-weight boxing championship eliminator bout between Lennox Lewis and Razor Ruddock at Earls Court on Saturday, October 31. The first prize includes a pair of ringside seags, bed and

The first prize includes a pair of ringside seats, bed and champagne breakfast at the White House Hotel, Regent's Park, travel expenses and a pair of Lewis's boxing gloves, signed by him. The five runners-up will each receive a pair of lickets to the bout, worth £75.

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entries telephoned by midnight tonight and notified by telephone tomorrow. Normal Times competition rules apply.

Sky Sports has live and exclusive coverage of the bout at 10.30pm on October 31.

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GLENN Hoddle has named himself in the Football League's squad for a representative game against Italy's Serie B at Bristol City's Ashton Gate on Wednesday. The Swindon Town player-man-ager was originally named as manager of the League side, but after several withdrawals the former England midfield-

er is now likely to play.

REVISED PARTY: TWngfi (Newcastle), N.
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A. Awford (Portsmouth), G. Hoddle (Swindon), C. Calderwood (Swindon), J. Magilton

(Culord), G Pescock ( Newcasile), M Allen (West Hami), A Cole (Bristo' C., M Stawat (Bristol R), J Goodman (Milwali), C Maskali

☐ Vinnie Jones yesterday asked the Football Association for a personal hearing when it considers his misconduct charge relating to the video Soccer's hard men". Barnet, of the third division, are facing a mass walkout by players over wage cuts. ☐ Halifax Town hold a crisis

### meeting today after an ultimaturn from the local council.

On Wishes

# Teenager in the last 16

John Higgins, 17, from Glas-gow, will be the youngest player to contest a last-16 match in a world ranking snooker tournament after his surprise 5-4 fourth-round victory over Gary Wilkinson in the £425,000 Rothmans

grand prix at the Hexagon theatre, Reading, yesterday. Higgins, the junior champion at last year's World Masters, is four months younger than Hendry was when he reached the quarter-finals of the grand prix in 1986.

# Title threat

Cycling: British men's amateur track championships will end next year if the British Cy-cling Federation's racing committee gains approval for its plan to make future championships open to amateurs and

# Starting up

Ice hockey: Sheffield Steelers and Cardiff Devils are to take part in the first European league, which is scheduled to start next month.

# Still missing

Rughy union: Mitchell Douglas, of Littlehey prison, who escaped after playing a match at Bedford Swifts on Saturday, was still on the run yesterday. Douglas, Littlehey's full back, was serving a three-year nine-month sentence for robbery.

# No Italians

Yachting: Italy's Ferruzzi-Montedison conglomerate said it would not take part in the next America's Cup yachting challenge in 1995.

# Ban criticised

Rugby union: Ossie Wheatley. chairman of the Sports Council for Wales, criticised the Welsh Rugby Union for imposing a ban of only one month on the Neath flanker. Kevin Fox, for failing a drugs

Morris plea

is time for a change.

Cricket John Morris, the Der-

byshire and England bats-

man, has asked the county to

release him half way through

a four-year contract, because

he feels that, after ten years, it

# OVERSEAS FOOTBALL

# Bebeto surprises shaken Barcelona

THE bubble, it was thought, would burst when Deportive La Coruña met Barcelona (Peter Robinson writes). The present champions of Europe and Spain would be too strong for the season's unlikely pace-setters from Galicia, who have led the Spanish league since the opening day of the season. Deportivo, however, have ignored conventional think-

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Bessen 2; Cercle Bruges 6. Losefing
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Bruges, 15.
DUTCH LENGUE: FC Twings Grachede 4,
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Tilburg 1; FSV Enchoven 1; Feyerscord 2;
FC Volentism 0; Ajes 3. Carribus Letewerden 1; Vitesse Anthem 1, FC Utrecht 1,
MW Manasticht 2; Roda JC Karlendo 1; FC

they happily did it again on. Saturday. Barcelona were beaten 1-0 in La Coruna — a goal from the Brazilian, Bebeto, settling matters in the 63rd minute - and Barça left to prepare for their European Cup date with CSKA Moscow with their confidence on the wane. They have not won any of their last four matches. The champions slipped up ing for seven weeks now and in France as well as Mar-

Names. Japhet N'Doram, a. Chad international, scored the game's only goal. Next season's European Cup places are, meanwhile,

already being booked. Spartak Moscow, Liverpool's opponents in the Cup Winners Cup on Thursday. romped past Lokomotiv Mos-cow 4-1 on Saturday to win the Russian league.

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13pts; 2, Setembrees, 8, 11; 3, Berrica, 7, 9; SPANSM LEAGUE: Read Oviado 1, Rayo Valecano 1; Cakiz 1, Caba Vago 1; Read Valecano 1; Cakiz 1, Caba Vago 1; Read Sociedad 0; Logroride 0, Read Machd 3; Valencia 2, Tarastie 1; Albaceta 4, Real Burgos 0; Atlético Machd 1; Sporting Geon 1, Deportino La Courlin 1, Berestone 0; Espariol 1, Seville 1, Leading positions (after silven machine): 1. Deportivo La Courlin, 12pts; 2, Affilico Machd, 10; 3, Affiliato Bibaco, 10; WORLD CUP: Qualifying round: African Zone: Group B (in Yaounde): Cameroon S. Sneziland ().

# Second division B and Q Cup Second round Brechin v Morton.

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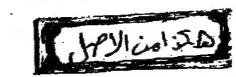
# KONICA LEAGUE CUP: Preliminary round: Caeraws v Conwy; Messaleg Park v Ebbw Vele (7.16). PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: Faret division: Rotherham v Biscidum (7.0). Second division: Braditord Voldhem (7.0). Evenion v Derby (7.0); Girnsby v Coversity (7.0); Port Vele v Middlesbrough (7.0). NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: OFFI v Luton (2.0); West Harn v Swincion (2.0). Second division: Exater v Bournernouth (7.0). Bournamouth (7.0). BARCLAYS COMMERCIAL SERVICES BARCLAYS COMMERCIAL SERVICES CUIP-First round, escond leg: Buy Town v Durstable; Andover v Poole; Atherstone v Rushden and Diamnord; Beathey v Docheeter: Bedworth v Termordt; Biston v Year; Resintere v Burnharm; Erdognorth v Peddikctr. \*Bocklogham -w Westchatme; Chaltenhen v Evesham; Dover Albiette v Margate; Gloucester City v Moor Green; Granthen v Subinn Coliferic; Gravesend and Northitest v Ashford Towir: Greetly v Burzon Ablon; King's Lynn v-Hednesford; Lescales United v RC Werwick; Studyridge v Trowbridge; Subinny v Embedge City V Rugby v National College Westerbord V Wersig V Burzon GREAT-Mell LS LEAGUE Premier Studyre V Bertal LS LEAGUE Premier Studyre V Bertal GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier Westbury y Pauton. JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE Premier division: Fakenhern v Great Yemouth: Gorlesson v Dest, Hasteed v Haverhilf, Novelch United v Welton.

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Rangers; North Semby v Osestir Town:
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CLUB MATCHES: Berry Hill v Penerth (7.00): Leicester v Oxford University (7.15). Carcalled: Bridgend v Ebbw Vele; (Startor-gen Wanderess v Carcill and District. OTHER SPORT SNOCKER: Rothmans grand prix (at

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RADIO 3 7.00 On Air: Andrew McGregor presents news, weather and trevel. Including Balakirev (Overture on Three Russian Themes); Dvořák (Czach Suite); Glazunov (Molin

Concerto in A minor)

9.00 Composer of the Week:
Stephen Sondheim, Excerpts from Company, Follies and Facific Overtures, Side by Side by Sandheim and songs from the sound-track of Dick Tracy rie sound-track of Dick Tracy
Mustic of a Feather: Vaughan
Williams (The Lark Ascending);
Chopin (Welfiz in A minor, Op
34 No 2); Heary Lawes (The
Lark); Dowland (The Robin);
Janacek (The Barn Owl has
not flown away, On an
Overgrown Path, Bk 1);
Messiaen (Diseaux exotiques);
Scellus (Swarnwhite Suite);
Schumann (Prophet Bird,
Weldscenen); Schubert (Die Weidscenen); Schubert (Die Vögel, D691); Stravinsky (The Princesses' Round, The

Princesses' Round, The Firebird); Glazunov (The Nightingale, Op 4 No 2); Saint-Saens (The Ross and the saers (The russ and the Nightingale, Parysatis); Respeghi (Sutte, The Birds); Grieg (A Swan, Op 25 No 2); Tchaikovsky (Dense napolitame, Swan Lake) 12.00 York Early Music Festive 1992: David Fallows Tasks: Devo Fallows introduces the New London Consort under Philip Pickett performing Music for Isabella d'Este, including works by Tromboncino and Cara (f)

1.00pm News 1.05 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under Tadaal Otaka performs Honegger (Pastorale d'été); Poulenc Organ Concerto: Jane Watts); seethoven (Symphony No 5 in C minor)

C minor)
2.20 Raymond Clarke: The planist plays Szymanowski (Sonata No 3. Op 36); Panulnik (Pentasonata) (r)
2.55 Manchester Early Music Series. London Baroque performs Hayon (Divertimento in 8 flat, Hv8); Bocchenini (Trio in G. Op 34 No 2); J.C. Bach (Oboe Quartet in E flat, Op 8 No 6: Robin Canter); Richard and Clarke: The planist

No 5: Robin Canter); Richard Gwilt (Lament for Rosia, 1991) 3.50 Herbert Howells: BBC Concert Orchestra under Barry Wordsworth, with Martin

6.00 Ceefax (18310) 6.30 Breakfast News (27816391) 9.05 Kilroy. Robert Kilroy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on a topical subject (6916020) 9.45 The Rosa King Show. The guest is Liza Goddard (8026556) 10.00 News, regional news and weather (4892579) 10.05 Playdays. For

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10.00 News, regional news and weather (4892579) 10.05 Playdays. For the very young (s) (7388759)

10.30 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick Weekday magazine series presented by Anne Diarnond and Nick Owen (s) (77714020)

12.15 Pebble Mill. Alan Titchmarsh is joined by model Cindy Crawford, actor Brian Blessed and the group London Beat (s) (8250448)

12.55 Regional News and weather (53595020)

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Weather (31198)

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (80702207) 1.50 Going For Gold. General knowledge quiz (s) (80706223)

2.15 Film: Knock on any Door (1949) starting Humphrey Bogart and John Derek. Courtroom drama directed by Nicholes Ray (824488)

3.50 Harum Scarum. The first of a new series looking at children's

John Derek. Courtroom drame directed by Nicholas Pay (§24488)
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5.00 Newsround (5222440) 5.10 Byker Grove. Adventures of the young people of a Geordie youth centre. (Ceefax) (5834985)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (101440). Northern Ireland: Inside Ulster

6.00 Stx O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Anna Ford. (Ceefax)

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9.30 Civvies. Tough drama series following the fortunes of a group of former paratroopers trying to make a living in civitish life. (Castax) (s) (468407). Wales: Week In Week Out 10.00 Civvies

10.20 Omnibus: Who's This Nobody From Quebec?

© CHOICE: "There is no more brillantly imaginative production in lown" said The Times of Robert Lepage's dark and kliosyncratic production of A Midsummer Night's Dream at the Netional Theatre. Other critics begged to differ, horrifled at Lepage's mangling of the text and disconcerted by his staging of the play in a muddy pond. Lepage, a 34-year-old French-Canadian, enjoys being provocative. As actor, writer and director he is one-of the theatre's most original talents. At least that is the burden of this approving profile. Apart from the Dream it quotes extensively from Lepage's own plays, which cover such subjects as drugs, sexuality and murder. Lapage reveals that he spent once two years in therapy. The treatment was ineffective and he decided to resolve his Inner turnois through the theatre. It explains much. (Cestax) (s) (144575). Northern Ireland: Go For It 10.50 Study Ireland; Wales: 10,50 Ormnibus



King con-men: Michael Caine and Sean Convery (11.10pm)

11.10 Film: The Men Who Would Be King (1975). CHOICE: John Huston's rollicking tale of British India may not have quite the status of others in the Movie Classic series, such as Casablance or another Huston film The Maltese Falcon, but it offers much to enjoy. Adepted from a Rudyard Kipling story set in the 1880s, it stars Michael Caine and Sean Connery as former army. sergeants and con-men who plan to conquer the remote state of Kurturistan and establish themselves as kings. There is much humour in the tale, expertly extracted by Caine and Connery in a relishable double act, but it is underext by irony and ultimately tragedy. (Ceefax) (s) (43888049). Northern Ireland: Omnibus 12.00-2.00 Film: Network; Wales: 11.40 Film: The Man Who Would Be King 1.45am News 1.15 Weather (3478985). Ends at 1.20-2.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Club (92179); Ends at: 2.45 BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (4062049) 8.15 Westminster. A review of yesterday's first session of the new Parliament (4356778) 9.00 Hurricane's Wake. A youthful snooker player is put through his

paces (r) (2804469) 9.05 Daytime On Two. Educational programmes 2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me (r) (239818643) 2.15 Snooker, David Vine with news from the Rothmans grand prix at the

Hexagon, Reading (s) (32918643)

2.30 See Heart Magazine series for the hearing impaired (r) (s) (556)

3.00 News (Ceetax) and weather (8177001) 3.05 Westminster Live
John Cole joins lain Macwhirter for the coverage of the first prime
minister's questions of the parliamentary session (7477643) 3.50

News, regional news and weather (2565381)

4.00 Snooker. Live coverage from the Hexagon, Reading, of the Pothmens grand prix, introduced by David Vine. The commentators are Ted Lowe, Jack Kernehm and Clive Everton (s) (8778)

6.00 Film: The Colditz Story (1857, b/w) starring John Mills, Enc Portman and Lionel Jeffnes. Second world wer drams, based on fact, about Allied prisoners of war and their effernots to get away from the supposedly escape-proof Colditz Castle. Directed by Guy Hamilton (55595710) 7.35 Animation Now. The Canadian-made Blackberry Subway Jam

(677914)ot: Talwan — a State of Suspense, Bnan Barron reports from Taiwan, one of the most dynamic economies in the world, developed under the aggressive gaze of the predatory Mao Tse-Tung (689556)



Mixed ingredients: Barry, Goolden, Clarke, Kelly (8.30pm)

8.30 Food and Drink. The first of a new series. Includes viewers complaints about fan ovene; a report on the importance of oak in wine-making; and a Hampshire family sampling Moscow fare. Presented by Chris Kelly, Michael Barry, Jill Goolden and Oz Clarke 8) (4198) hoven's Not Dead. Classical music comedy show. With Miles

and Miliner and Jim Tavare (2198) and Miliner and Jim Tavare (2198)

9.30 Battle Cries: Winners and Losers. The War and Peace season continues with the testimony of three Tornado pilots who were shot down over the Guif, captured and brutally interrogated (805001)

10.10 The Staggering Stories of Ferdinand de Bargos. A repeat of the surreal series using archive film and the voices of Jon Glover, Enn Reital and Kate Robbins (a) (411391)

10.30 Newsmight with Sue Cameron (671339)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (332198)

11.55 Weather (413372)
12.00 Live At Brecon. Jazz featuring planiet Michael Petrucciani, bassist Michael Bowie and Wilby Fletcher on drums (a) (7280952). Wales: First Sight 12.40-2.05 Snooker

Smooker. Highlights from the evening session of the Rothmans grand prix from the Hexagon, Reading (s) (3992792). Ends at 2.05

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10.00 The Time ... The Place ... Topical discussion series (8604407)
10.35 This Morning. Weekday magazine presented by Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan (26463407)
12.10 Playbox. Early-learning series (r) (7834440)
12.30 TTN Lunchtime News. (Oracle) Weather (6532407) 1.05 Thumber Mass. (Pass Central Control C

News (86508240)

1.15 Home and Away Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (337827) 1.45 A Country Practice (s) (336198)



2.15 Marvis Catches Up With ... Marvis Nicholson talks to actress Patricia Routledge (351407) 2.45 Families. Soap linking the north of England with Australia (s) (6396372)
3.10 ITM Narvis headines (8195407) 3.15 Tharmes Narvis headines (8194778) 3.20 The Young Doctors (4787643)
3.50 Fraggle Rock (f) (6503223) 4.05 The Raggy Dolls (s) (7408643)
4.15 Talke Off with T-Bag. Cornedy drama series starring Georgina Hale (1944758) 4.40 Children's Ward. Episode two of a ten-part hospital drama serial. (Cracle) (s) (3502407)
5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz (4363440)
5.40 Early Evening News. (Oracle) Weather (389391)
5.55 Tharmes Help (f) (688440)
6.00 Home and Away (f). (Oracle) (339)
6.30 Tharmes News (2011)
7.00 Emmerdale. Soap set in the Yorkshire Dales (Oracle) (3489)
7.30 This Old House. Series following the efforts of two Americans to refurbish a Notting Hill flat (575)
8.00 The Bill: Overdus. While Disumsade is at Scotland Yard facing an

8.00 The Bill: Overdue. While DI Burnside is at Scotland Yard facing an interview board for promotion to DCI, DS Greig takes over one of Burnside's cases and quickly learns about his methods of detection. Starning Christopher Ellison and Andrew Mackintosh. (Oracle) (2117)

8.30 The Upper Hand. The lirst of a new senes of the sitcom starring Joe McGann, Diana Weston and Honor Blackman (s) (4952) 9.00 Boon. The Midlands detective helps a group of market traders to

tackle an extortionist only to discover that his partner is helping the opposition. (Oracle) (s) (1575)

10.00 News at Ten. (Oracle) Weather (62407) 10.30 Thames News

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10.40 The Kennedys: That Old Jack Magic.

● CHOICE: The second instalment of the American family saga takes Jack Kennedy from the Senate in 1948 to the White House 12 years later. Joe Kennedy, the central figure last week, is less in evidence, though he is still a power behind the throne. As his son enters the presidential race, Joe declares: "We shall sell Jack like soap flakes." The Kennedy story continues to make fluent and watchable television, helped along by contributions from a string of watcheuse research, impred away by continuous a limit a same or old Kennedy buddies, a JFK mistress and his letest biographer. There are reservations. The issues of the 1960 campaign get cursory treatment and it is not true that the tempos television debates were "inconclusive". On the contrary, Kennedy's boyish confidence and Nixon's five o'clock shadow may well have swayed the closest result of this century. (Oracle) (400778) 11.40 Prisoner: Call Block H. Caged women of Wentworth detention

centre drame (683469)

12.30am Video View. Includes news of the British Video Awards (66808)

1.30 The Equalizer. Edward Woodward stars as McCall, in this episode

joined by a former colleague to protect a major who has been running a covert operation with freedom fighters (44985)

2.30 Donahue. The guests are happily married women who have had affairs — but only with married men (9769137)
3.20 60 Minutes. American news magazine (7803112)
4.10 The Twilight Zone: Many, Many Monkeys. A tale of the supernatural (24258353)

4.40 Short Story Theatre: Mams on Strike. A suburban housewife and mother of four downs tools in protest about her workload (1367911) 5.30 ITN Morning News (26773). Ends at 6.00

11.45 The Allic (1986): A daughter resurts American Sports Cavalcacie (51 150) to her home town to discover the truth about her father's diseppearance (497022) 1.20em. IGd. (1890): C. Thomas. Howell avenges the rander of his perents (5170285) 2.50 Baid Dreeme (1988): A girl awaiens from a 20-year come to find she is still threatened by her svil guru (7697150). 4.20 Liber (1989). A filler stalls Cheryl Ladd and her daughter (847288). Ends at 6.00

SKY MOVIES GOLD

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 Stopper Another Than, Another Chance
(1977): Widower James Casn and widow
Genevieve Bugid Isl in love (9982983):
1.15 The Island of Dr. Morresti (1977):
Adaptation of H.G. Welte's novel (26707943)
10.00 Risky Business (1983): Tom Cluise becomes involved with prostitute Rabacca
De Morrey (178643). Ends at 11.35 THE MOVIE CHANNEL

e Vin the Astra and Marcopolo satellites 6.15am The Tall Men (1955): Clark Gable signs up for a cattle drive (53024933) 8.25 Vincent and Me (1990). Van Gogh

8,25 Virtuant and Me (1900). Van Gogh steels a get's drawings (20073855) 10.15 The Two-Headed Spy (1956): Biopic of the spy Alex. Schooland (79529759) 12.00 The Joison Story (1949): Biopic of the landous singer (22003333) 2.15 Flower Drivan Song (1961): Muscoll set in San Francisco's Chinatown (77328865) 4.25 Virtuant and Me (as 8.25em) (20017049) 4.25 Virtuant and Me (as 8.25em) (20017049) 4.25 That Rand of Women (1959): Sophis Luten meets a man on a train (84445489) 4.25 That Rand of Women (1950): Sophis Luten meets a man on a train (84445489) 4.10.00 Amother All Nource (1990): Sophis Luten meets a man on a train (8445489) 4.10.00 Amother All Nource (1990): Sophis Luten meets a man on a train (8409) Gard Union meets a man on a train (8409). Gard Luten meets a man on a train (8409). Gard Luten meets a man on a train (8409). Gard Wilder plays a concorned (7900) 4.00 (1990). And decided Murphy work together (32204) 12.00 Fin Dangeroun Tonjal (1990). And decided Murphy work together (32209) 1.35mm Draculat (1979): Frank Lagolia plays the court, with Laurence Olavar and Donald Partisance (780131)

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(3020) 9.36 Boots and Al (1722) 10.30 AMA Supercros. (81310) 11.30 Stretch (79759) 12.00 World Team Pool (51914) 1.00pm Football (ss 7am) (82597) 3.00 Indy Car Grend Phir (81989) 5.00 Boots and All (9440) 6.00 Football News (216407) 6.03 Rad Lane (57198) 7.00 Football: Spurs v Lazo (892562) 1.00 The Footballer's Football Show (72845) 12.00 German League Football (58265) 2.00-8.00em

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2.00pm Gloria Hunniford 3.20 Ed Sewiari 8.05 John Dunn 7.00 The Mark Broshers' Rywheel, 2.00pm Gloria Hunniford 3.20 Ed Sewiari 8.05 John Dunn 7.00 The Mark Broshers' Rywheel († 7.30 South-West Country Eddie Blackstone and Diamond T at the Rock Cale, Chemester 8.00 Wangford's Ridg: Hank Wangford continues his journey from Argentine to Chile (2/6) 9.00 The Nashwile Dream 10.00 Living Blues with Tony Russell (5/6) 10.30 The Jantesons 12.05am Jezz Parade 12.25-4.00 Steve Madden

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RADIO 6.00 mm World Service. Newshour 6.30 Denny Belier's Moming Editor 9.00 Schools: See For Mome; 10.25 Wigoly Park 10.30 Johnnike Wester with The AM Attemative 12.90 mm Kachen Cabinet 1.00 News Update 1.10 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 1.25 BFBS Worldwide 2.30 A Geme of Two Halves; Presented by John Inverdale and Frances Edmonds 4.30 Five Aside 7.15 The Further Adventures of Pupp Longstocking 7.30 Footbell Plus 10.10 Earshot, not 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10 mm News: Sport

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CHANNEL 4

**6.00 Cartoons** (89310) **7.00 The Big Breakfast** presented by Chris Evans and Gaby Rosin 9.00 You Bet Your Life. American quiz game show hosted by Bill Cosby

(49556) 9.30 Schools (200407) 12.00 The Parliament Programme. The first of a new series, presented

by Anne Perkins (52020) 12.30 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series (84092)

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1.30 Take 5. Young people's entertainment (8724)
2.00 Film: King of Burfesque (1936, b/w). Lively backstage musical starring Warner Boxter as a Broadway producer whomarries a spenditrrift socialite. Directed by Sidney Lanfield (928643)
3.40 The Three Stooges in Three Little Twirps (b/w) (6858223)
4.00 Family Pride. The first of a new, three-times a-week, 26-part drama

sertal following the fortunes of an Asian businessman and his family twing in Birmingham (s) (204)
4.30 Fifteen To One Fast-moving knock-out general knowledge

competition. With William G. Stewart (s) (488)
5.00 Crawahaw Paints on Holiday. In the last of his series Alwyn Crawahaw visits a busy port and a sleepy harbour (4575)

 5.30 If Wishes Were Horses. A new six-part series about the children of mixed ability learning to ride (s) (440)
 6.00 Remote Control. Off-beat cornedy quiz show presented by Anthony H. Wilson (s) (681)

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6.30 Roseanne Wisecracking comedy from Roseanne Amold and John Goodman (r). (Teletext) (933)

7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (756391)

7.50 Comment. Andrea Adams talks about bullying at work (965681)

8.00 Bay of Thundering Ice. A documentary about the rich and varied wildlife of Alaska's Glacier Bay. (Teletext) (5989)

8.30 Check Out 92 Tina Jankins Investinates how the Health and Safety.

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Executive is reacting to the increase in fairground accidents and
Carol Peters looks at the potentially fatal effects of Paracetamol overdoses (s) (2594)



Was Michelangelo gay? John Byrne investigates (9.00pm)

● CHOICE: Having tried last week to suggest that Shakespeare might have had homosexual tendencies, Without Walls performs a similar exercise on Michelangelo. The investigation is conducted by John Byrne, the Scottish writer of Tuttl Frutil, with the help of art historians and critics. Michelangelo's sublime depiction of the male form may well suggest a homoerotic imagination. If so, this may have set up a conflict with his Catholic faith. But there is not much to go on and does it matter anyway? Without Walls also revives its mock oblituary format for Sir Jimmy Savile. As usual Savile says much and reveals little, determined that the private man stay private. His proudest boast is that he invented the disc jockey. Pete Waterman says this brackets him with the Beatles as the most

important influence on British music (9117)

10.00 Film on Four: December Bride (1990) starring Seskia Reeves.
Atmospheric romantic drama, set in a turn-of-the-cantury irish Protestant community, about a strong-willed woman who becomes passionately involved with two brothers, With Donal McCann and Ciaran Hinds, Directed by Thaddeus O'Sutilivan. (Teletext) (a)

11.40 Empty Nest. Comedy series staming Richard Mulligen (923092)
 12.10em Burning Books on "Sex". A penel of guests chaired by Helsne Kennedy discuss Madonna's Sex (1575711)

12.40 The Late Mattia Pascal. Episode two of the three-part drama starring Marcello Mastrolanni. In Italian with English subtitles

2.00 Film: Accused (1936, b/w). Routine murder mystery starring Dolores Del Rio as a dancer accused of killing a singer (Florence Desmond) who had been making a play for her husband (Douglas Fairbanks Jr). Directed by Thornton Freeland (7887781). Ends 2.50

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6.90 Shx O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Anna Ford. (Ceetax) Weather (643)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (223). Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Telly Addicts. Television trivia quiz (a) (1001)
7.30 EastEnders. (Ceetax) (s) (407)
8.00 Citizen Smith. Robert Lindsay stars as Wolfie Smith, leader of the small band of Toothig Popular Front supporters (f). (Ceefax) (7049)
8.30 2 Point 4 Children. Last in the domestic comedy sales by Andrew Marshall, starting Belinda Lang and Gery Olsen. (Ceefax) (s) (6556)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (4556)



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4.30 Pop Goes the Jazz Star: In
the last of the series, Mel Hill
considers Ray Charles
5.00 In Tune, with Natalie Wheen
7.30 Pebble Bittl: Philip Langridge,
tenor, John Constable, plano,
perform Beethoven (La
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cor; Dimmi ben mio: L'amante
impaziene, Arietta assai
seriosa; L'amante impaziente,
Arietta buffaj; Dvořák (Four
Songs from Cypresses); Liszt
(fir Glocken von Marling; Die
Vatergruft; Die chei Zigeuner);
8.10 Devotions, by John
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McCowen; 8.30 Britten (The
Holy Sonnets of John Donne,

Holy Sonnets of John Donne, Op 35) 9.05 John McGehern CHOICE: Swallows is the first of four tales by the trish master of the short story. program of successive inights, and all read by a fellow trishman, Staphen Rea, it is an atmospheric gern. Two amateur fiddlers share an hour or so in a remote cottage. or so in a remote cottage.

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Paganiri on what he was told
might be a Strad. The other,
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just listens to Paganini. Chalk
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9.30 Messiaen: Catalogue
d'Obteaux: Peter Hill plays
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11.30 Brandenburgs Plus: Bach
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in 6; Schritte (Concerto
Grosso No 3); Bach (Brandenburg Concerto No 5 in D)

12.30-12.35am News

1.00-2.25 Night School (except in
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10.15 The Hindu Scriptures (LW only): Stealing of the Cowherd Boys
10.30 Woman's Hour talks to the actress Maureen Lipmen; samples Jewish food; garripes sexual horasyment in the United States, and in Britaint; and reviews the Emmingham Royal Ballet's revival of Aghton's The Green Table, Incl 11.00 News

11.30 All in the Mind, with Professor Anthony Clare 12.00 You and Yours, with John 12.25pm My Music: Steve Race chairs the musical penel game, John Amis and Frank Muir challenge Ian Wallace and Dents Norden (e) 12.55

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2.00 News; Thirty-Minute
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Happened, by Alan Bennett.
With Thora Hird as Mam, Brian
Wilde as Ded, and Imside
Staurton as June (s) (r)
2.20 Mirrored in Music: Andrew
Green invites the conductor Green invites the conductor Ubor Pasak to choose music which reflects the character

and spirit of his native country, Czechoslovakia (s)

Czechoslovskie (8) 3.00-4.00 Tuesday Lives (FM

only), with Josona Buchan 3.00 Prime Minister's Question

Time (LW only)

A.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope reviews Baikal,
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the world, and Angels and
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4.45 Short Story: Long Lost and Love Excelling, by Glen Jayson. Read by Katherine Kinsey 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather
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1960s novel. With Kenneth
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7.00 Mangaret

7.00 News
7.05 The Archers (a)
7.25 File on 4
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# Brain claims payments 'widespread' in rugby



Brain: against hypocrisy

Brain won 13 England caps between 1984 and 1986; now, aged 37, he is the full-time licensee of the bar at Rugby club, was club captain last year and is a member

of the first team in the Courage Chubs Championship first division. Brain admitted he was part of a head-hunting squad established at Rugby to attract quality players. He said the practice was widespread in English rugby. Such activities exploited the grey areas in the amateur code so blatantly, according to Brain, that the hypocrisy convinced him that spelling out the

Steve Brain, the former England

hooker, makes this claim in an

interview with The Times which

will reopen the debate about how

the competitive demanding rugby of the 1990s can live within the

Brain said that clubs made

provision for package deals to entice players by establishing "slush" funds of up to £30,000 a year. He said that cash demanded

by some players to switch clubs started at £50 a week and went up

to £200; "signing-on" fees were as high as £5,000.

RUGBY union players are de-manding and receiving illegal cash inducements from English clubs. facts of how the secret system worked was the only way to hasten

You have a situation now in the game where, even at junior clubs, the best players are being offered money and cars to go to another club," Brain said. "Everybody knows what is going on, everybody is talking about it. The whole thing

"The Rugby Football Union (RFU) has investigated several clubs, looking for evidence. It has been to our club twice. But it's wasting its time looking for evidence because it will never find it. It should come clean and say, 'Of course, it is happening and we can do nothing.

We should get on with the current situation but bring it out into the open. These under-thecounter payments are bringing the whole game into disrepute."

Brain revealed how many clubs set out to attract leading players. He said he knew the names of many players guilty of taking large financial rewards. He added: "I could have revealed those names to Twickenham except that I have no documentary proof, which is required if you are to name names. There is no proof and there can

Peter Bills looks at the contentious issue of cash inducements in English rugby union which a

former England player says are rife in the game

never be any, because nobody is going to list fees paid to players in the treasurer's report at the AGM." Brain conceded that Rugby, where his full-time employment has been approved by the RFU, had put together deals for jobs and accommodation for certain players. The value to the players would probably be between £20,000 and £30,000. Brain himself was contacted by Rugby while he was coaching in the United States and was a Coventry player. He was offered a job, and a car that went

To offer a player a straight financial benefit would breach the amateur code. But offering employment with no mention of money is a widespread practice. The thin dividing line is regarded with scorn

throughout the game. Brain said: "I would be absoluteamazed if there was a first ly amazed if there was a first division club in England not doing

aside for recruitment. Perhaps for two decent players you would need at least £30,000 a year.

"You haven't got any choice: everybody is looking after their own interests and it is a lifeblood. We have to compete like everyone else for the top players and those players are not mugs - players generally are getting greedy."

Many clubs now have sizable financial turnovers. Rugby generate around £350,000 from their

dubhouse, so their business as a whole has income of close to £500,000 a year. Harlequins estimate a gross income of £500,000, while the English champions, Bath, anticipate £750,000 this

Bath's secretary, Clive Howard, said: "Quite soon, we will reach £1 million a year, and it could even be this year. There is a lot more money coming into the game from all sorts of sources. And it was the Rugby. Football Union that brought the

The competitions bring intense pressure. Brain said: "A rugby chub now in the first division is all about business. Two things are inevitable from that situation. One is that clubs will spend to ensure they stay there and the other is that money is

going into players' pockets."

Brain outlined the standard practice for recruitment. First, a player was targeted, often by a wealthy member who wished to support the club. Those business individuals won't throw money in for someone else in the club to do what they want," Brain said. "They want some input into how their

money is going to be spent."

Next, the player is then asked if he would join the club. Brain said: "You go to them, and the first thing the player says is, "How much are you talking about?" Then they ask what else is involved. A job, a car, help to get a mortgage is usually mentioned. Rugby have had associations with building companies and that has helped."

For every loval player in English

For every loyal player in English rugby, Brain said, there were three or four who would go for the cash. The top sum alleged to have been offered to a leading England player to switch clubs was £15,000. But think what sort of sums are

involved now." Brain's views found from Tony Russ, the Leicester club's director of coaching. Russ said that one of the forwards on the said that one of the forwards on the England development tour of New Zealand this year had demanded an illegal inducement from Leicester to join them. "He simply said to us 'I need a car'," Russ said. "All I will say is that the player is not with I elector."

not with Leicester.

"I know the situation is unite serious in this respect. We do not pay anyone anything because people want to join us, knowing we can help them become successful. But in other, less fashionable chibs, there has to be a good reason for going there and the good reason is not always apparent."

The new RFU president, Danie

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Seriomein, said before the season that Twickenham had been close to unearthing evidence against two clubs supposed to have been involved in such practices. But Serfonsein conceded that essential information had proved beyond the RFU's grasp. The severe penal-ties are little deterrent to clubs and players; they know it is virtually impossible to be apprehended.

# Offiah is passed fit to face Australia in final

By Christopher Irvine

WORRIES about whether Martin Offiah will play in the rugby league World Cup final against Australia partially reyesterday after he passed a fitness test. However. the Great Britain wing will continue to receive treatment for a troublesome hamstring before the match at Wembley on Saturday.

Offiah's speed on the wing has been curtailed this season by a recurrence of the injury and additional knee tendon problems. He has completed only five full matches so far. His right thigh was heavily strapped during yesterday's souad training session at Headingley, where he dis-

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without reaching flat-out pace.
To the relief of Malcolm Reilly, the Great Britain coach, a twinge felt by Offiah was the only injury problem that emerged from Sunday's uncompromising Lancashire Cup final win by Wigan at St Helens. Although visibly tired, the ten other participants re-ported no problems. Graham Steadman also

passed a fitness test, but the full back is continuing to have treatment to an ankle strain. Reilly may promote either Alan Tait or Joe Lydon, should Steadman not be ready in time for tomorrow's team announcement. The Australians will announce their final

# Brady anxious to score away goal in Uefa Cup tie

# Germans dismiss Celtic threat

FROM RODDY FORSYTH IN DORTMUND

CELTIC may have disposed of German opposition when they beat Cologne to reach the second round of the Uefa Cup. but their credentials have not been accepted as impressive by Borussia Dortmund, the team they face in the Westfalen stadium tonight. Celtic arrived here yesterday

to be discover that the Dortmund camp had been candidly dismissive of Celtic's chances. Frank Mill, Dortmund's experienced midfield player, said yesterday: "We are looking to win 2-0 here and I we can do that Unlike Cologne, we won't lose that lead, and you must also remember that there is a national thing involved in this **CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 2923** because two British sides have just knocked out two German sides, so we are very anxious to

get our own back.
"We know all about Celtic and there is not much to fear apart from McStay, who is a very important player, and Creaney in attack. A good result in this game is in our bands and I do not see it

slipping out of them."

Many a manager would congratulate themselves on good fortune for such an assertion by an opponent, but even if Liam Brady uses it to incite his players as they leave the dressing-room tonight, the Celtic manager was prepared to offer a degree of corrobora-

"I've always said you need experience to go on to the highest level in Europe, and you can only get that when you put a number of games be-hind you," he said. "I found that out when I was with Arsenal, Inter Milan and

"We have a young tearn, and although the players will have learned something from the games against Cologne last time, Borussia are a much more impressive team and I would agree that they are favourites.

Under such circumstances it is only natural for the manager to turn to his more experienced campaigners to stabilise the side during what promises to be a rough passage this evening, but he is handi-



Experience essential: Gillespie, left, is likely to partner Mowbray in the Celtic midfield against Dortmund

I mean to stay in."
Since Mowbray will play

and Bonner will also start in

goal, Brady has to choose

between Slater and Payton,

both of whom are counted as

foreigners. The indications are

that Payton will be confined to

watching a game which Brady feels will call for a carefully

Dortmund's foreign players

capped by Galloway's suspension and the prolonged back injury sustained by Wdow-czyk. He will therefore almost certainly look to Gillespie to partner Mowbray in central defence, an opportunity which the former Liverpool defender intends to seize.

"Possibly I feel a little ring-rusty because I have played in the reserves for the past three games and it remains to be seen how we will handle this game, but I feel I am still the best to play alongside Tony Mowbray, Gillespie said. "When I last played in the first team, against Partick-

calibrated degree of forward play by his team. are most likely to worry Brady. Stephane Chapuisat, of Swit-Thistle, it probably looked as

was my fault but I know what I zerland, who gave Scotland so many problems in their World Cup qualifier last month, is can do. If the boss feels that Mike Galloway should play the top scorer in the German alongside Tony Mowbray so League. He, Flemming Poul-sen, the Dane, and Mill form be it but things change from week to week and now I am in

a lethal front line. Dortmund, who also hav the speed and guile of Michael Rummenigge, the German international, in midfield, have climbed to fifth in the

Brady said: "Like us, they sometimes give away daft goals and I'm hoping we'll sneak at least one because we certainly can't expect to survive another 2-0 defeat."

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Gascoigne

to return

PAUL Gascoigne will play at White Hart Lane for the first time in 18 months tomorrow, for Lazio in the second leg of

the Capital Cup.
Lazio, are likely to field all four of their foreign players.
Gascoigne, Thomas Doll and
Karl-Heinz Riedle, of
Germany, and Aron Winter,
of Holland.

Tottenham trail 3-0 from the first leg three weeks ago, when Gascoigne scored in his first game since he was injured in the 1991 FA Cup final.

Stewart heeds

BY IVO TENNANT

censure

DEREK Newton, the Surrey chairman, yesterday warned the captain, Alec Stewart, that he would be held responsible for any further incidents of ball-tampering next summer. In the alternath of its fine by the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB), the club made it clear to all its players that anybody found culpable could

"The chib has admitted to four incidents of ball-tampering in the past three seasons, for which it was given a suspended fine of £1,000, but said yesterday that its committee of enquiry had failed to discover which players had broken Lew 42. "If this continues and is hidden in the mists. then the captain will carry the can," Newton said.

Stewart, who will be the England vice-captain on their forthcoming tour of India, is expected to be reappointed as the Surrey captain in December. He has accepted the recommendation of the threeman committee of enquiry that, in future, the players should hand the ball to the umpire for inspection at the end of each over and at the fall of every wicket. Surrey wants

every county to adopt this. Stewart has also agreed to produce a report for the club's of each match. This must include detail of any warnings from the umpires.

Since the umpires will be inspecting the ball regularly, there will be no time for anyone with itchy fingers to use them." Newton said. Surrey, which took legal advice before deciding to write to all its players, is to ask the TCCB to give umpires power to impose immediate

☐ The International Cricket Council (ICC) is to investigate criticisms of English umpiring by Salim Malik, the Pakistan vice-captain. "If these remarks are verified, they are a direct violation of our code of conduct. He is throwing it back in our faces," Sir Colin Cowdrey, the ICC chairman, said

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# Graf means to enjoy herself

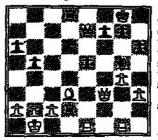
WINNING MOVE By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

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Solution below



Blood clot swelling (9) Scientist's workshop (3)

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By Andrew Longmore, tennis correspondent As he roams the player THE international indoor

lounges of the world, he cannot brandish the LTA's cheque hook in the sure tennis season in Britain begins today and ends on Sunday. To put it another way, the transfer of the traditional knowledge that a sponsor will pick up the final bill. "If you men's event from Bir-mingham to Antwerp has left want to get the best players, you have to get into the market place," he said. "It's like walking into Marks and the Midland Bank championships in Brighton as the only top-level event inside Britain and outside summer. Spencers, you can choose According to John Feaver, tournament director of the hat colour you like and what

LTA, there is no point throwof our tournaments." tennis starts and ends with Wimbledon fortnight.

The difficulty for Feaver is that, Wimbledon apart, Britain is not a thriving market.

E350,000 Midland Bank title against Larisa Savchenko-Neiland today, does not really need the winner's cheane of £70,000, nor another title. She simply likes the town and enjoys the tournament. Having won 25 consecutive since 1985, she must come to regard the week as more busman's holiday than seristyle. If you have the money, you get them,

Mary Joe Fernandez, a Wimbledon semi-finalist, heads the challengers, who include Jana Novotna, Anke "But players also like the using and traditional values This is one reason why Huber and Magdalena Steffi Graf continues to re-Maleeva, the youngest of the turn to one of her more three sisters, who will be profitable haunts year after working with Graf's former year. Graf, the No. 1 seed, who opens the defence of hercoach, Pavel Slozil, for the

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